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## SINKING OF THE "KOCHOW."

### MARINE INQUIRY.

#### CAPTAIN MORGAN GIVES FURTHER EVIDENCE.

##### DECISION TO-DAY.

The Marine Court of Inquiry into the foundering of the s.s. "Kochow," which was opened at the Harbour Office on Tuesday last, was resumed this morning, when after Captain Morgan, master of the ill-fated ship, had been re-called for further examination, technical evidence was taken from Mr. George Swan, Assistant Government Marine Surveyor. Afterwards the Court adjourned for an hour, at the end of which time it was announced the Inquiry would re-open at 4 p.m., to-day, when it is under-

##### THE SALVAGE.

When the s.s. "Taiming"—Wu-chow to Hong Kong—hove in sight of s.s. "Kochow" at 9.50 a.m., to-day it was seen that the latter was being towed into shallower water. At 10.10 a.m. it again touched bottom, ready for another lift if necessary.

It was the time of top of high tide and then the upper works and about half way from spar to the main decks were above water.—Our own correspondent.

stood that the finding of the Court will be made known.

The Court was constituted as follows:—Commander J. B. Newill, D.S.O., R.N., Harbour Master (President); Lieut. Commander Lancelot King (H.M.S. "Curlew"); Captain A. J. Scott (s.s. "Kwangtung"); Captain J. Ascock (s.s. "Kwangsi"); and Captain Muir (s.s. "Tung On").

Captain Morgan and officers of the "Kochow" were represented by Mr. L. D. Strellett, who appeared for Mr. G. K. Hall Brutton; whilst Mr. F. J. Loseby, appearing on behalf of Mr. C. A. S. Russ, represented the owners of the "Kochow."

##### LOAD MEASUREMENTS.

Captain Morgan, recalled, admitted in reply to the President that he had said at the previous hearing that the draft of the ship at forehead was 9ft. 2ins., and aft 10ft. 6ins. The witness took the draft himself before leaving. President: Do you realise that if the draft is exceeded by 2 inches, the ship must be overloaded?—Yes, but I did not know it was 9ft. 2ins. at the time.

Replying to a further question, Captain Morgan said that the full speed of the "Kochow" was about 10½ knots, and half speed 7½ knots.

##### A LIGHT VESSEL.

President: Do you think it wise to reduce to 7½ in that locality?—I never interfered with the pilot. It was the witness's experience, however, that every ship went on until it was stopped. Then it would have to wait for the rise of tide.

President: She is a bad ship to touch ground?—

Captain Morgan's reply was that any light vessel was bad to touch ground like that. He instanced a case five years ago when a launch which was unloaded touched the bank and "went over in a second."

##### TIDE VERY LOW.

Captain Scott: Had you touched ground before, when there is low water?—Yes.

Captain Morgan went on to say that his suggestion for what happened on this occasion was that the extreme action of the current caused the ship to go over so much.

Replying to Lieut. Comdr. Lancelot King, Captain Morgan said that he did not anticipate that the tide would be so low at this time of the year, but asserted that he had told the pilot that she would not go over the bar until 1 o'clock, and warned him to be careful.

##### BALLAST ADDED.

Mr. George Swan, Assistant Government Marine Surveyor, told the Court that he took a test of the "Kochow" in September, 1924, and the result was such that he considered it expedient to add 37½ tons of ballast to the ship, making a total of 50 tons. This was consequent to alterations and the addition of two cabins. The draft of the ship was 9 ft. 2 ins. at the bottom of the keel.

Mr. Swan estimated that with-

## BRITISH CRUISER AGROUND.

### H.M.S. "DAUNTLESS."

#### FOG DISASTER ON TRIBUNE SHOALS IN HARBOUR.

##### NO CASUALTIES.

Halifax, Yesterday.

The cruiser "Dauntless" is aground on Tribune Shoals, inside the entrance to the harbour owing to fog. There are no casualties.

##### Ship Abandoned.

Later.

Captain MacPherson gave the order to abandon the ship four hours after striking the shoal. He also ordered all the vessels around the cruiser to keep clear as there was danger of its breaking in twain.

The men with their effects were removed in lifeboats and placed aboard the Canadian cruisers "Festubert" and "Tyres."—Reuter's American Service.

## WORLD DISPUTES.

### LEAGUE COMMITTEE'S ACTIVITIES.

Geneva, Yesterday.

The League Committee on Arbitration has adopted the second reading of the texts of three model conventions for the Pacific settlement of international disputes and an introductory note to the general conventions on arbitration and conciliation, all of which will be submitted to the Assembly in September.

German suggestions for strengthening the means of preventing war were referred after considerable discussion to the drafting committee.—Reuter.

## U.S.A. COTTON.

### TO TRADE IN HALF CONTRACTS.

New Orleans, Yesterday.

The cotton exchange has decided shortly to introduce trading in half contracts, namely trading in both hundred bale and fifty bale units.

##### Bull Weevil Report.

Washington, Yesterday.

The Agricultural Department reports that the Boll Weevil Emergency is almost complete.

New York, Yesterday.

News of the above report led to much liquidation in the Cotton exchange and prices dropped 10 to 15 points.—Reuter's American Service.

## U.S. PRESIDENCY.

### THE REPUBLICAN CAMPAIGN.

New York, Yesterday.

Mr. Work has resigned the Secretaryship of the Interior in order to manage Mr. Hoover's campaign for the Presidency.—Reuter's American Service.

## PLANE FATALITY.

### MILITARY MACHINE CRASHES.

Amsterdam, Yesterday.

A military aeroplane has crashed near Grave, the pilot being killed and the observer injured.—Reuter.

1,200 bags of rice, 346 passengers and crew, three full fresh water tanks, and the bunkers full, the total dead-weight of the "Kochow" was 244 tons. As the dead-weight she could carry was 217 tons, the ship was overloaded to the extent of 27 tons.

##### ANGLE OF 10 DEGREES.

Asked if he could tell at what angle the vessel heeled to before the water entered, Mr. Swan said that, taking the master's estimate as correct, the deck must have commenced to submerge at 10 degrees. The ash shoot, the witness said, was above the main deck, and the water could not have got through to the inside of the ship. It might be possible for the water to get through by the side hatches. From what the witness could estimate of the ship's capacity, all the cargo could have been stored below.

The Court then rose, and afterwards adjourned until the afternoon.

## NORTHERN TROOPS LEAVING.

### A NEW POSITION?

#### TRANSPORTS & TRAINS ON ROAD TO MANCHURIA.

##### WALI TRENCH SYSTEM.

Tongshan, Yesterday.

All is now quiet at Tongshan and in the Kailan Mining Administration's zone.

Local troop trains have moved in very large numbers from west to east. This indicates that the Northern force under General Chang Tsung-chang is moving away from the Peking-Tientsin area and putting greater distance between itself and the Nationalist allies. The Northerners may make a new concentration at Luanchow, on the Luan River, near the entrance into Manchuria. Meanwhile defence works are being continued by the Northerners at the Wali trench system.

General Chang Tsung-chang is reported as having gone to Mukden to attend the funeral of his late overlord Marshal Chang Tso-lin.—British Naval Wireless.

Shantung Evacuation. Chinwangtao, Yesterday. Two transports have arrived here with 3,000 Northern troops (of Chang Tsung-chang's army) from Tientsin in Shantung. The disembarkation of these men (who have crossed the sea to join their main force here) is delayed until rail transport is available.—British Naval Wireless.

##### Three Trainloads.

Peking, Yesterday. Three train loads of Northern troops under General Chang Tsung-chang have arrived at Chinwangtao. They are apparently going northward, indicating that their former Manchurian colleagues intend to allow at least some of the Northern troops to enter Manchuria.—Reuter.

## THE SALT FUNDS.

### Tientsin Deposits Sent to Nanking.

Peking, Yesterday.

It is learned that the Bank of China at Tientsin has forwarded to the Nanking Government the salt fund deposited at the Bank for the payment of loans secured on salt.—Reuter.

##### Extortionate Taxes.

Peking, Yesterday. The Chinese Chamber of Commerce here has decided that after Marshal Chiang Kai-shek's arrival it will send a deputation to urge the retention of the capital at Peking, also the disbandment of the troops and the abolition of the extortionate taxes levied by the late Chang Tso-lin.—Reuter.

##### Last Proclamation.

Peking, Yesterday. The Nationalist committee in charge of the newly conquered territory in North China has issued its last proclamations before dissolving, announcing that Peking will henceforth be known as Peiping and Chihli will be known as Hopei. Previous orders to the effect that already issued more than a week ago, but this, it is considered, legalises the change.—Reuter.

##### Chiang at Peking.

Peking, To-day. Chiang Kai-shek arrived at seven this morning. Feng Yu-hsiang has not yet arrived but it is announced he may come in a week's time.—Reuter.

## CALL MONEY.

### RISES IN AMERICA TO TEN PER CENT.

New York, Yesterday.

Ten per cent. call money made its appearance in Wall Street for the first time since 1920. The stock market consequently fell sharply and local banks called in \$72,000,000 in loans.

It is believed in some quarters that call money will go higher.—Reuter's American Service.

## DYERS' STRIKE.

### PROVISIONAL SETTLEMENT REACHED.

London, Yesterday.

A provisional settlement has been reached in the dyers' strike, the Textile Workers Union having agreed to accept the terms reached between the employers and other unions. The decision will be submitted to the members to-day.—Reuter.

## LI CHAI-SUM FOR NANKING.

### HIS GUNBOAT HERE.

#### TO ATTEND NATIONALIST CONFERENCE.

##### SAILED BY "PAUL LECAT."

In his capacity as a member of the Nationalist Central Government, Marshal Li Chai-sum (chairman of the Canton Government) is now on his way to Nanking, to attend there the fifth plenary session of the Party's executive on July 15.

In a chat with local Pressmen this morning, Marshal Li said



Marshal Li Chai-sum

that demobilisation—now that the war was practically at an end—will be the main topic of discussion. The question of reorganisation of the country generally will also be gone into.

An impression was gained that Marshal Li is desirous of draiti-

##### LIGHT RAINS.

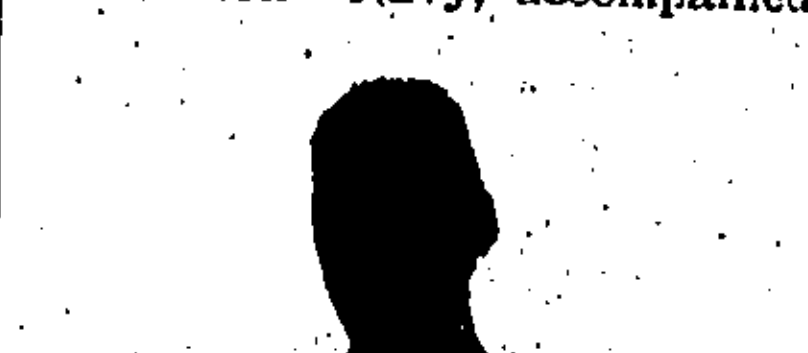
S. W. winds, moderate, fair to showery, is the official weather forecast until noon to-morrow. Pressure is high over Manchuria, N. E. Japan and the east of the Bonins. It is low over China.

cally reducing the size of the Nationalist Army in Kwangtung and concentrating on development, politically and practically, at the same time co-operating as closely as possible with the central and other branch administrations.

##### "HAIFU" IN HARBOUR.

Marshal Li arrived this morning on the gunboat "Haifu" from Canton. The "Haifu" tied up off Shamshuipo, with No. 5 Police launch as escort.

Admiral Chan Chak, head of the Canton Navy, accompanied



Admiral Chan Chak

Marshal Li down to wish him bon voyage. Mr. Tai Chi-tao, a member of the Canton Government, who arrived earlier this week is to go with Marshal Li to the Nanking conference. Marshal Li is attended by his principal private secretary, Mr. Li Man-yan.

After staying on board the gunboat for some time, Marshal Li and his staff crossed over to

## COMPENSATION FOR BRITONS?

### COMMONS QUERIES.

#### SIR AUSTEN SPEAKS ON THE NATIONALISTS.

##### KIUKIANG \$40,000 GONE.

London, Yesterday.

Several questions asked in the House of Commons to-day related to the matter of payment of compensation; or restoration of property dispossessed; to British firms in China.

Sir Austen Chamberlain (Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs) stated that the total claims lodged by British subjects in connection with the damage to property at Kiukiang exceeded the amount of the indemnity.

Hence, said Sir Austen, Sir Miles Lampson (the British Minister at Peking) had been instructed to pay all verified claims after careful scrutiny.

##### Nanking & Chinkiang.

As regards British property occupied by Chinese troops at Chinkiang, the British Government expected the Nationalist administration at Nanking to fulfil its obligations in that respect and the British Government is carefully observing the conduct of the Nationalist administration in this matter, added Sir Austen.

Regarding Nanking, Mr. H. W. Looker (a former resident of Hong Kong who is now a Conservative M.P.) asked if the Government could hold out hope that the Nationalist Government at Nanking will recognise its obligations.

Sir Austen Chamberlain replied that he was unable to make any promises on behalf of the Nanking Government.—Reuter.

"Full Settlement." It will be recalled that the British Concession was rushed by the native mobs early in 1927, following the forcible taking over of the Concession at Hankow by a mob aided by Nationalist troops.

On March 2, 1927, notes were exchanged between Mr. Owen St. C. O'Malley (who was acting for Sir Miles Lampson) and Mr. Eugene Chen, the then Nationalist Minister for Foreign Affairs.

Mr. Eugene Chen transmitted a cheque for \$40,000 "in full settlement of all losses suffered by British subjects during the recent disturbances at Kiukiang, in accordance with the terms of an agreement concluded on Feb. 20, 1927." The claims lodged by Britons now exceed \$40,000.

##### "Uninhabitable."

Kiukiang is a Treaty port on the Lower Yangtze, 140 miles below Hankow, or 250 miles above Nanking, the Nationalist capital.

Chinkiang is near the mouth of the Yangtze, 45 miles below Nanking. It is only 156 miles from Shanghai. Here there is a British Concession, area half a mile square. Buildings in this Concession were occupied and damaged by Nationalist troops.

In Nanking, as Sir Austen Chamberlain announced a week or two ago, even the British Consulate-General is uninhabitable owing to its having been damaged through occupation by Nationalist troops.

## ON THE "TAFT."

### BOARDING HOUSE RUNNERS FINED.

##### USED GRAPPLING HOOKS.

On the complaint of Captain W. H. Thomas of the s.s. "President Taft," two Chinese boarding house runners, Chan Lo (32) of No. 78, Connaught-road Central, and Chan Yung (37) of No. 126, Connaught-road Central, were charged before Commander J. B. Newill, D.S.O., R.N., at the Marine Court this morning with being on board the ship yesterday without the permission of the master or officer of the vessel.

It was stated that the defendants climbed on to the after deck by means of grappling hooks, and were stopped as they were attempting to enter the steerage compartment.

Fines of \$25 each, or in default three weeks' hard labour was passed.

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## THE METROPOLITAN POLICE CHIEF.

### NEW APPOINTMENT.

#### VISCOUNT BYNG TO SUCCEED SIR W. HORWOOD.

##### OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENT.

London, Yesterday.

The Home Secretary (Sir W. Joynson Hicks) announced in the House of Commons that Brigadier-General Sir William Horwood, Commissioner of the Metropolitan Police had intimated early in the year his intention of retiring in the late autumn on his attaining the age of sixty years, and that the King, on his Home Secretary's recommendation, had approved the appointment of Viscount Byng of Vimy to succeed Sir W. Horwood.

Viscount Byng has had a long and distinguished military career and is chiefly remembered by his defence of Vimy Ridge during the war when in command of the Canadian forces.

After the War Parliament granted him \$30,000 as a mark of appreciation of his services and H.M. the King conferred a barony on him. In 1921, he succeeded the Duke of Devonshire as Governor-General of Canada from which position he retired in 1926.—Reuter.

## MILITARY SECRETS.

### SOVIET A.D.C.'S ARREST IN RIGA.

##### NOW RELEASED.

Riga, Yesterday.

The examining Magistrate has ordered the release of Lange.

It is semi-officially stated that in view of the grave nature of the charges, it is expected that Lange will return to Russia immediately and that his chief, Soudakoff, will be recalled.—Reuter.

[The following telegram, dated Riga, May 14, explains the preceding message:—The Latvian police have arrested M. Lange, the aide-de-camp to the Soviet Military Attaché, on a charge of inducing Latvian officers to reveal military secrets. A Latvian and a Staff Lieutenant have also been arrested.]

## ANTARCTIC FLIERS.

### WILKINS AND EISELEN NOW IN NEW YORK.

##### TOURING U.S.A.

New York, Yesterday.

Sir Hubert Wilkins and Lieut. Eilsen arrived and were civilly escorted to the city hall, where they gave an account of their Alaska-Spitzbergen flight; but there was no great excitement.

Sir H. Wilkins said that his forthcoming Antarctic flight would not conflict with Commander Byrd who was going to explore the South Polar basin. Wilkins intends to confine himself to the frozen coast. The main object is to find a site for a meteorological station. He will take up work on the west coast of North America and proceed to Alaska, thence to Japan via Siberia. He returns to Australia after a "Round-Asia" flight.

Wilkins and Eilsen are touring the United States aerially, ending at Los Angeles on September 1.—Reuter's American Service.

## "BREMEN'S" CREW.

### IN LONDON IN RESPONSE TO INVITATION.

##### WARMLY WELCOMED.

London, Yesterday.

The members of the "Bremen's" crew—Captain Koehl, Baron von Huenefeld and Major Fitzmaurice—were lustily cheered at Croydon on their arrival from Hamburg aboard the "Europa," a sister plane of the "Bremen," in response to an invitation to visit Britain.

They arrived late while coffee was being served at the Royal Aero Club's luncheon at the Savoy, in their honour.

Air Marshal Lord Thomson, who presided, extended a hearty welcome to the fliers.—Reuter.

##### "FLAPPER" VOTE.

London, Yesterday.

The Equal Franchise Act has passed through all its stages and has received the Royal assent.

## "TOO MUCH" OXIDE ALLEGED.

### FULL COURT APPEAL.

#### JOHN BATT & CO. (LONDON), v. SILVA-NETTO & CO.

##### SEQUEL TO ARBITRATION.

Matters of considerable moment to Hong Kong exporters in particular and to Hong Kong merchants in general were referred to at length this morning, the occasion being the opening of the Full Court of Appeal, in the Supreme Court, when a London firm appealed against a judgment unfavourable to them.

The Court comprised Sir Henry Gollan (Chief Justice) and Mr. Justice Jacks (Pulne Judge).

The appeal was against a decision given by Mr. Justice Jacks in the Summary Court last year (judgment and costs) on a claim by John Batt and Co. (London, Ltd.) against Silva Netto and Co., Hong Kong, for \$895.25, alleged to be balance of damages ascertained on May 19, 1925 to have been suffered by plaintiffs by a breach of contract by the defendants for the sale of antimony. The contract, it was claimed, was in writing and contained in two cables. Pro Forma Order.

Mr. F. C. Jenkin (instructed by Mr. L. R. Andrews) was for the appellants-plaintiffs. Mr. C. G. Alabaster, K. C. (instructed by Mr. Leo d'Almada e Castro) was for the defendants-respondents.

After dealing with two or three legal points, Mr. Jenkin explained in his opening that Silva Netto and Co. sold 75 tons of antimony sulphide ore to Batt's.

The sale was based on a bundle of correspondence which had been "agreed" by both sides when the case was heard in the Summary Court. It was in accordance with what is known as a pro forma order which exists to facilitate transaction of business by cable.

There were four cables, Mr. Jenkin said, which covered the delivery in London of the ore, shipped from Hong Kong.

"Tenor of His Song." The ore was duly shipped. In the meantime, Batt's had entered into a contract for the re-sale of the ore.

Subsequently, the buyer claimed that the ore did not answer to the contract in that it contained too much oxide. Batt's advised Silva Netto & Co. that the shipment had been rejected. Cables and a letter were sent by Batt's informing Silva Netto that the buyer had made an offer to accept the ore, less an allowance, irrespective of the market price which had by then gone down.

"Mr. Silva Netto's case all along is that he did, in fact, ship the proper goods," added Mr. Jenkin. "The tenor of his song throughout his case in a nutshell, is that he had shipped no oxide." Mr. Silva Netto maintained in the correspondence that he had personally inspected the shipment.







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2	5.42	7.11
3	5.43	7.11
4	5.43	7.11
5	5.43	7.11
6	5.44	7.11
7	5.44	7.11
8	5.44	7.11
9	5.45	7.11
10	5.45	7.11
11	5.46	7.11
12	5.46	7.11
13	5.47	7.11
14	5.47	7.11
15	5.48	7.11
16	5.48	7.10
17	5.48	7.10
18	5.49	7.10
19	5.49	7.10
20	5.50	7.09
21	5.50	7.09
22	5.50	7.08
23	5.51	7.08
24	5.51	7.07
25	5.51	7.07
26	5.52	7.06
27	5.53	7.06
28	5.53	7.05
29	5.53	7.05
30	5.53	7.05
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#### ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

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W. E. HOLLANDS,  
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### PRINCE GEORGE.

#### NOW A BURGESS OF GLASGOW TOWN.

#### RECEIVES AN OVATION.

The Lord Provost, in extending a cordial welcome to Prince George on behalf of the Corporation and citizens, referred to the fact that all the members of the royal family are now honorary burgesses of Glasgow, and remarked that there were few cities outside London that shared so great a distinction.

He understood that in the case of the City of London every son of the King, by right of patrimony was made an honorary Burgess on attaining his twenty-first birthday. That custom did not obtain here, but Glasgow was always more than delighted to confer the highest compliment in its power upon members of the royal family when they visited the city for the first time. They welcomed him as the Sailor Prince of the royal house, who had already endeared himself not only to his shipmates in the Navy, but in every gathering which he had attended.

MAINTAINING TRADITIONS. He came to them with the reputation of a charming and genial personality, and as one who realised the privileges and opportunities for service which pertained to his exalted station, and he (the Lord Provost) desired to take that opportunity of thanking him for the interest he was showing in the activities of the city by performing two important services to the community. Their youngest Burgess was emulating, in a supreme degree, the lofty traditions of the royal house, and had already acquired a permanent and affectionate place in the hearts of the people of this country, and he was not behind his brothers in the alacrity with which he responded to the many claims which were made upon him. (Applause).

The Lord Provost in conclusion, presented the Prince with a casket containing the Burgess ticket. The casket, which is of silver gilt, has Prince George's Arms engraved on the top, and on the sides it bears an enamelled emblem of the city's Arms, the Scottish Lion rampant, and the figure of St. Andrew.

#### THE PRINCE AS A MASON.

The ceremony at the Trades House followed naturally on the Freedom ceremony, for only by becoming a Freeman of the city was His Royal Highness "duly qualified" for the later honour conferred on him by the Crafts Guildry and the Incorporation of Masons. It is a ceremony which carries the thoughts back through the centuries, and in this modern gathering of business men the almost archaic formalism of some of the phrases employed fell strangely on the ear. It is a familiar enough yet withal a picturesque ceremony, with its summoning by bell, the query from the chair addressed to the officer, "Has the House been duly warned?" the answering affirmative, the certification that the new Brother is duly qualified, the former moves from the platform of the Crafts Guildry to the table of the Masons, and back again to the Guildry platform, the presentation of the casket, and the reply.

#### RECEPTION BY CRAFTSMEN.

The Trades House held a crowded and expectant audience for some time before His Royal Highness arrived. All the crafts were represented—Hammermen, Tailors, Cordiners, and the rest. Many wore insignia or badges marking the exalted rank of Deacon or Collector. But one craft sat apart, the Master Court of the Masons, to whose brethren was to be added a Prince of the Royal House. Prince George arrived and took his place beside the Lord Provost, who was on the right of the Deacon-Convener, Mr. John Train. The latter was supported by Mr. John R. Campbell, Collector; Mr. John Dallas, late Convener; and Mr. Harry Lamsden, Clerk of the House. There were also present Lady Paxton, Lady Reid, and a number of other Guild Sisters. When the motion to enrol the Prince had been carried with acclamation, Lord Blythwood accompanied His Royal Highness and the Deacon-Convener to the Masons' table. There they were received by the Deacon, Mr. George Munro, and other officials of the Court, and having been admitted, taken the oath, subscribed the roll, been presented with a miniature medal as a memento, and given the right hand or fellowship, the Prince was conducted back to the platform, and there presented, in a silver casket, with the Guildry and Freeman's tickets.

#### A UNIQUE ENROLMENT.

The Deacon-Convener, in making the presentations, said that the day's proceedings were unique in the respect, that now every one

of the sons of their beloved King and Queen were Guild Brethren and craftsmen, and the two daughters Guild Sisters. (Applause).

The Masons, he continued, did not come first in the order of precedence, nor were they first in wealth or numbers, but it might be safely said that more than any of the other 13 crafts the Mason's was a vocation associated with peace, civilisation, and progress. Probably because of that striving towards peace and progress, the work of the Mason had always been intimately connected with the religious life of a community, and here the Masons, with a due regard for the idea of immortality, or at least, making the best of both worlds—(laughter)—had put their finest work and completed the greatest examples of their art on buildings of a religious character. Their own Cathedral, the work of Glasgow Masons in past ages, was a noble instance, and the Mason's motto had for centuries past been "In the Lord is all our Trust."

#### A GLASGOW CASKET.

Moreover the Mason's craft was one which could not be exercised to the full like many other crafts by the craftsman himself. His work was essentially one which called more than others for "team work." As in the completed work of the Mason, the strength or weakness of the fabric depended on every individual stone, so the progress and prosperity of a community depended ultimately on the combined efforts of every individual citizen.

The silver casket, the Deacon-Convener explained, was the work of a Glasgow craftsman, modelled from the Masons' charter chest—(applause)—the original of which was made in 1684. It bore on the lid a representation in relief of the tools of His Royal Highness's new craft, and on the front his own Coat-of-Arms, above which was the second and more worldly motto of the Glasgow Masons, but one breaking loyalty and devotion to the Crown—"God Save the King and the Masons' Craft."

### THE PRINCE'S REPLY.

His Royal Highness, on rising to reply, again had had a great ovation, the company singing "For he's a jolly good fellow."

"I am very pleased, indeed, he said, to be here and so to preserve the continuity of my family's connection with this ancient and highly honourable Guildry. I thank the Trades House and the Incorporation of Masons most cordially for having admitted me into their Freedom, thereby completing the procedure that makes me a fully qualified citizen of Glasgow. (Applause).

"My three brothers are also members of this House; one is a Hammerman, another a Bonnet-maker, and the third a Skinner, and now I am a Mason. (Laughter).

"I hope my fellow-Masons will not be too exacting in insisting on my giving evidence of practical knowledge of this ancient craft, but whenever I look at a beautiful building I shall always remember with pride that it was erected by the more capable members of a craft to which I belong. (applause) — and in this way I shall take to myself vicarious credit for the excellence of the work produced.

Once more I thank you, Mr. Deacon-Convener and the members of the Incorporation of Masons, for the great compliment you have paid me." (Applause).

A Vote of thanks to the Deacon-Convener, proposed by the Lord Provost, concluded the proceedings.—"Glasgow Herald."

At the Kowloon Magistrate's yesterday, a Chinese was charged, before Mr. W. Schofield, with failing to have control of a bicycle which he was riding. It was stated by the police that defendant carried a passenger standing on the footstep at the rear of the machine. Remarking that that was the first time he had seen anybody charged for carrying a passenger in that manner, and that he did not quite see how the defendant had failed to have full control of the machine, as the passenger in no way impeded his movements, Mr. Schofield decided to discharge the defendant.

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### CHANGED HIS NAME.

#### "ASHAMED OF HIS OWN COUNTRY."

Frederick Shirley, aged 41, consulting engineer, of Maida Vale, W., was charged on remand at Bow-street with making a false statement as to his nationality.

Mr. E. B. Knight, for the police, said that Shirley's real name was Frederick Thomas Silvester. A few days previously he was before the court on a charge of having, as an American citizen, failed to register a change of address, but he then proved that he was a British subject. He was accordingly discharged and rearrested on the present charge.

He registered himself in 1920 as an American citizen, born in San Francisco. It was while a detective was making inquiries about a German woman living in his house that the officer was able to trace Shirley, who during the war was sentenced to four months' imprisonment for aiding and abetting a German woman in not registering.

Mr. Hardy, defending, said that when war broke out Shirley was an Army Reservist and was conducting an hotel in Ostend. He went to England as a refugee and was arrested for not rejoining the colours. He received the harsh sentence of three months' imprisonment, and as a result determined to have nothing more to do with the British Army or the British people. This was the explanation of his registering as an American citizen.

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MOMBASA—Via Singapore and Colombo.  
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### PIRATES CHASED.

PURSUED BY SWATOW  
SOLDIERS.

SMALL SHIP RELEASED.

A small ship plying between Swatow and Hong Kong was attacked by pirates just outside Swatow harbour, says the "Canton Gazette." The pirates gained complete control and the crew were compelled to head the ship off her usual course and steer for To-mei. Some soldiers on patrol discovered that something was amiss and a chase was at once organised. The attentions of the soldiers became so hot that the pirates were forced to leave the ship in an attempt to escape overland, but the soldiers followed hard on their heels and the desperadoes had to discard all their prisoners in the race for safety.

One passenger was reported to have been killed by the bandits.

### IN A PIRATES' DEN

BOATMAN RETURNS AFTER SIX  
MONTHS' CAPTIVITY.

RESCUED BY SOLDIERS.

After spending six months as a prisoner in the hands of pirates in Chinese territory, a boatman, belonging to a local junk, returned to the Colony during the week-end, lucky to be still alive to tell the story of his experience.

At the time of the piracy on December 3, 1927, the junk, which had on board a cargo of 1,700 piculs of salt, worth \$1,000, was on a voyage from Cheungchau to Loming, in Heungshan. The pirates appeared whilst the junk was still in British waters and approaching Shek-ku-chau, where it was intended to anchor for the night.

The junk was taken by the pirates to an island called Lokam, in Chinese territory, west of Macao, where the cargo of salt and the crew of 27 were taken ashore. The returned boatman, Chan Ting (28) and another foki were taken by a party of pirates to one part of the island, whilst the others were marched off in another direction, and he did not know what subsequently happened to them.

Chan and his companion eventually found themselves in the pirates' den, where they had to do all manner of hard work for the paltry food which they received. On June 15 Chinese soldiers raided the den, and Chan was rescued. He was first taken to Canton, where the authorities gave him a free passage to Hong Kong. The escaping pirates succeeded in getting away with Chan's companion.

### SWEDISH BOOM.

The Swedish shipyards are at present enjoying a boom in shipbuilding, according to the "Journal of the Swedish Chamber of Commerce for the United Kingdom."

The Gotaverken are employing about 2,800 men working both day and night shifts, which is about 400 more than during the post-war has had to employ a number of foreign workmen in this branch being insufficient, the yard has had to employ a number of foreign workmen. The orders held by the Gotaverken comprise thirteen ships aggregating about 45,000 gross registered tons for delivery at latest in the summer of 1929. The Eriksberg shipyard has orders for nine ships totalling 40,000 gross tons. The Kockum shipyard at Malmö is at present employing a staff of over 2,000 men, and has orders for many motor tankers and other vessels. The Lindholmen yard is well supplied with repair orders, and good orders have also been received by the smaller yards. During 1927, the Gotaverken launched 40,000 gross tons, the Eriksberg shipyard 10,000, and the Kockum yard 20,000 tons. At present these three yards have about 100,000 gross tons under construction to be launched this year.

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### NAVAL BUOYS.

YEARLY EXAMINATION IN  
SHANGHAI.

THROUGH OVERHAUL.

Shanghai, June 28.  
H.M.S. "Berwick" arrived in Shanghai during yesterday morning and took her place at the P. & O. Buoy in Wayside. H.M.S. "Cumberland" will leave this morning for Wei-hai-wei, but for the time being the latter ship's place at the British Senior Naval Buoy, opposite the Bund, will not be taken by the "Berwick," which belongs to the same class of new ships as the "Cumberland." The "Berwick" will be recalled, acted as transport for the battalion of the Bedfordshire & Hertfordshire Regiment which sailed last Sunday from Wei-hai-wei for Tangshan.

The reason for the "Berwick" being tied up to the buoy down river is believed to be because on July 2, the British Senior Naval Buoy will undergo their annual examination by the harbour authorities, and one week will be required to complete their overhauling.

The two buoys have their chains loosened from their anchors in the Whangpoo mud, and thoroughly examined for weakening parts once a year. Replacements are made, when necessary, by the British naval authorities, the actual work being in the charge of the Harbour Master's office here.

In this connection it is interesting to note that the buoy which can be seen floating on the water is only a small portion of the massive weights which exist beneath the surface to provide an adequate anchorage for men-of-war in the river. The same lay-out under the water is found for all the men-of-war anchorages along the line, the French, American, Japanese, etc. visible from the Bund.

Fathoms of China.  
Each of the British naval buoys floating on the water has an iron chain 21 feet long and three and a quarter inches thick to link them with an iron ring in the water. This iron ring holds two chains, branching off in opposite directions, and each 35 fathoms long and three inches thick. Making a triangle, the branching chains not being perpendicular, but slanting in the water, the distance between their spread at the base is 60 feet and two inches. At each end of this distance, is another iron ring in the water which in turn holds two other branching stud chains, the set on one side measuring 62½ fathoms long by two and 11/16 inches thick, and the set on the other side measuring 50 fathoms long and two and 11/16 inches thick.

The work of yearly examination done by the Harbour Master's office comprises unhooking the various cables to within a short distance of the anchors. Divers then go down and look at the anchors, the wear on which is not appreciable during long periods, owing to their being sunk 17 feet in the mud. The chains are carefully overhauled and notes made of the portion which will need replacing in the next year so that the material may come out from England during ensuing months.

Following the examination of the British buoys, the work will be continued on the buoys of other country's anchors opposite the Bund as a part of the regular service carried out by the harbour authorities.—"N. C. D. News."

### CHANNEL PORTS.

THE FUTURE OF THE  
HAVRE.

A notable remark on "the first Channel port" problem was dropped by Lord Kysant at the annual meeting of the London and Thames Haven Oil Wharves, and he definitely drew attention to the future value of Le Havre when speaking of the new oil storage facilities offered by his associate company in that port—the Compagnie Industrielle Maritime. Lord Kysant has a firm belief in the future of this great French port. His remarks show how close is the competition between it and Southampton and Cherbourg, especially when he said: "There is little doubt that an ocean terminal only three hours distant from Paris, where the largest vessels in the world will be able to land passengers in comfort and security at a jetty under cover, will be greatly appreciated by the shipping organisations and the travelling public. When the programme of the Compagnie Industrielle Maritime has been completed, the port of Havre will be one of outstanding importance, not only in Northern France, but in Northern Europe."

### SHIPPING TAX.

CANADA REJECTS U. S.  
EXEMPTION PROPOSALS.

QUESTION OF INCOME.

Negotiations in an effort to bring about a reciprocal arrangement between Canada and the United States whereby the earnings of ships documented in the other country would be exempted from income-tax have broken down and the tax will be assessed by each Government (states a Washington message).

This situation was disclosed at the Treasury Department in the issue of an amendment to existing regulations "to include Canada in the list of countries which do not exempt from tax so much of the citizens of the United States non-resident in such foreign countries, and of corporations organised in the United States as consists of earnings derived from the operation of a ship or ships documented under the laws of the United States."

Officials explained that Canada has taken the position that an amendment to its tax laws in 1926 is broader and more comprehensive in scope than similar provisions in the American revenue acts pertaining to exemption of foreign shipping. For this reason Canada refused to exempt from its taxation the earnings of owners of ships documented in the United States. Similar action was taken by the U.S. Government on receipt of the notice from the Canadian authorities that the exemption provision could not be extended.

Considerable pressure had been brought to bear upon both Governments by shipping interests to obtain the reciprocal exemption arrangement. American shipping is probably more affected than that of Canada, owing to the fact that there are more U.S. ships doing business in the Dominion ports.

#### Gross Revenue.

Officials said that, while the gross revenues of ships operating between the United States and Canada amount to millions of dollars a year, it is not likely that a large amount of income-taxes is involved in the case of either country.

The Revenue Acts of 1921, 1924 and 1926, it was stated in the Treasury decision, provide that there shall be exempted from taxation the income of a non-resident alien or foreign corporation which consists exclusively of earnings derived from the operation of a ship or ships documented under the laws of a foreign country which grants an equivalent exemption to citizens and corporations of the United States. In 1926 the Canadian Income War Tax Act of 1917 was amended in a similar manner.

The Canadian Government has advised that the terms of the Revenue Act of 1926 are not regarded as satisfying the equivalent exemption provision of the Dominion clause, for the reason that the Revenue Act of 1926 does not extend relief from income tax to the United States citizens resident in Canada and to corporations organised in the United States, which have ships registered in Canada.

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EMPERESS OF RUSSIA	Aug. 29	Sept. 1	Sept. 4	Sept. 6	Sept. 15
EMPERESS OF ASIA	Sept. 12	Sept. 15	Sept. 18	Sept. 20	Sept. 29
EMPERESS OF CANADA	Oct. 3	Oct. 6	Oct. 9	Oct. 11	Oct. 20
EMPERESS OF RUSSIA	Oct. 24	Oct. 27	Oct. 30	Nov. 1	Nov. 10
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## BIG LINERS.

MONTAUK POINT'S  
POSSIBILITIES.

### DOCKING FACILITIES.

With the lack of definite assurance that adequate docking facilities will be provided on the North River waterfront for the big liners now planned or actually under construction for trans-Atlantic service, states the "New York Journal of Commerce," some of the big steamship companies are considering the possibilities of Montauk Point as a passenger ship terminal. Four officers of the North German Lloyd, Mr. H. Schuengel, general manager of the line in the U.S., Mr. J. Schroeder, passenger traffic manager; Captain W. Drechsel, operating manager, and Captain W. Raven, of the Bremen office, have been to Montauk Point to make a survey of the proposed terminal location on Fort Pond Bay.

Mr. Schuengel said no decision had been reached in regard to the Montauk Point location because there were many factors to be considered, but in any event the company did not consider abandoning its New York terminal. The main point under consideration was the possibility of saving some twelve hours for passengers in the trans-Atlantic trip. Montauk Point, he said, did offer an opportunity for this big saving, but in any event the New York terminal facilities would have to be maintained.

M. Pierre de Maglaine, resident director of the French Line, and other French Line officials are to make a survey of the Fort Pond Bay location. The French Line, M. de Maglaine said, has tentative plans for the construction of a super vessel, which will probably be more than 900 feet long, and which is to be ready for service in about three years. The company also has placed a contract for a new cabin liner to be added to the New York service.

"The time has come," M. de Maglaine said, "when we must make plans for adequate docking space for our new ships. We regret that it is necessary even to contemplate the possibility of having to leave New York, because we feel that travellers prefer to embark and disembark there rather than at some point outside the city. At the same time it is only reasonable to expect that the greatest port in the world should be able to provide proper docking facilities for large liners, inasmuch as the little port of Havre, with a population of only about 15,000, has provided such facilities, as has Southampton on the other side of the Channel."

"I think a Montauk Point terminal would certainly mean a saving of time in the Atlantic crossing and, while the railroad journey is something of a handicap at present, the time may not be so far distant when Montauk Point will be considered merely a suburb of New York."

## MALTESE CROSS.

ALL SHIPS BUILT UNDER  
SURVEY.

Mention of Lloyd's Register recalls that the Post Office telephone service has adopted the little Maltese cross that is the honoured mark of ships built under survey, and now adorns the quarterly accounts for trunk calls therewith. Sometimes it is in black and sometimes in red. "Except when printed in red," the official form kindly explains, it denotes "telegrams and postal services." What it may mean when in red is not so clear. One form which I saw today had both black and red star and crosses in the same column, with the total sum also starred in red. I have reason to believe that someone at the G.P.O. studies this column at times, no perhaps in a day or two I may expect to get my letter crossed and peradventure my letter "dotted"—or starred—in addition.

## MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Canada" from Hong Kong on June 13, arrived at Vancouver on June 30.

The B.I. s.s. "Takada" left Amoy for this port yesterday, and is due here to-day.

The P. & O. s.s. "Nellore" left Singapore for this port on June 30 at 6 a.m. with the outward English Mails, and is due here on July 5 at about 10 a.m.

The P. & O. s.s. "Kashmir" left Singapore for this port on Sunday at 10 a.m. with the outward English Mails, and is due here on July 5 at about 5 p.m.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Asia" arrived at Yokohama yesterday at 7:30 a.m., left Yokohama yesterday at 5 p.m., and is due at Hong Kong on July 9 in the morning. She will sail for Manila on July 10 at 5 p.m.

The s.s. "Tricolor" sailed from New York on June 8 and is due in Manila on July 12.

## TRAWLER LOST.

NEW STORMNESS LIFEBOAT'S  
FIRST CALL.

### ON ORKNEY'S REEF.

Kirkwall, June 1.  
The new Stormness lifeboat, which arrived at its station—the most northerly in the kingdom—less than a fortnight ago, received its first call this morning when fishermen reported the trawler "Lord Devonport" on a reef at the foot of a cliff 1,000ft. high on the Atlantic side of Hoy Island, Orkney.

The fishermen were unable to render assistance, but indicated to the crew that they would proceed to Stormness and send the lifeboat. In Hoy Sound they met a steam herring drifter, and, boarding her, displayed distress signals. These were observed by the keeper at Hoy Lighthouse, and the coastguards called out the Stormness lifeboat.

The "Lord Devonport," which was homeward bound with a load of fish, failed to sight the Sule Skerry light, the outpost of the Orkney Lighthouses, and struck the reef at eleven o'clock on Sunday night. The night was very dark, with showers and wind from the west. Distress signals could not be burned, as heavy seas broke over the vessel.

As the vessel gradually settled down, the crew gathered under the shelter of the fore-castle head, where they clung for over twelve hours. When the lifeboat arrived on the scene this morning it paid off cable till close to the wreck, and succeeded in getting a rope made fast to the vessel. Six members of the crew were, one by one, dragged through the surf. One man died from exposure not long before the arrival of the lifeboat. The rescued men were in an exhausted condition. Seven men and a boy were swept away or died from exposure.

## PASSENGER LISTS.

### ARRIVALS.

Passengers arrived by the s.s. "President McKinley" yesterday were:—

For Hong Kong: Mr. R. Bailey, Miss A. Blake; Mr. A. G. Botelho, Mr. C. M. Corrin, Mr. R. L. Crooks, Jr., Mr. L. H. Frost, Mrs. Goldstein, Miss S. Hardoon, Miss H. N. Leary, Mr. J. Lokan, Rev. J. Lake, Mr. J. R. Smith, Mr. L. B. Stille.

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### DEPARTURES.

Passengers departed by the Dollar steamship liner "President Taft" from Hong Kong for San Francisco to-day were:—

Mrs. H. R. Blum, Miss M. Blum, Mrs. H. Blum, Mrs. J. Carberry, Mrs. R. Cowley, Mrs. M. Doneho, Mrs. H. Davies, Miss E. Davies, Mrs. and Miss F. McKilbey, Mrs. Wm. McKilbey, Mrs. A. N. O'Leary, Mr. F. A. Diekhoff, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. H. Fonger, Mrs. H. Fonger, Mr. A. Gerner, Mrs. H. Gilhouse, Miss M. Gilhouse, Mr. E. A. Aced, Mr. J. J. Gallagher, Miss A. Gallagher, Rear-Admiral and Mrs. S. E. W. Kittelle, Miss E. K. Marshall, Miss E. M. Howell, Miss E. J. McDonald, Miss C. L. McDonald, Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Adu, Mr. J. W. Custer, Mr. K. Nakatani, Miss V. Blick, Miss Y. T. Law, Mr. and Mrs. T. Aida, Miss J. Gardner, Mr. and Mrs. Higashi, Miss B. O'Leary, Mrs. M. Ogelsby, Miss V. Ogelsby, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Sullivan, Mrs. E. Wagner, Miss J. Wagner, Mrs. T. A. Warnham, Mrs. L. Waller, Mrs. M. Waller, Mrs. M. Waynard, Mr. B. H. Lydon, Mr. W. Jurgensen, Comdr. and Mrs. R. V. Lowe, Mr. Wm. Meglunis, Mr. N. C. McClelland, Mr. C. C. McKnight, Mrs. J. Kittelle, Miss N. Kittelle, Lt. Comdr. and Mrs. J. E. Potter, Miss E. Anderson, Miss D. D. Reed, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. McDonald, Miss M. Francis, Miss R. Drury, Mr. B. A. Gerlings, Mr. P. Marks, Mr. H. Glover.

Lord Oxford's will which has just been proved has been sworn at \$9,188 net. After legacies to his widow, to one old friend and several servants, the residue of his estate is divided between the children of his first marriage. The children of his second marriage were provided for by their grandfather, Sir Charles Tennant, father of "Margot," the present Countess of Oxford and Asquith.

A fire destroyed four workshops belonging to the old naval arsenal at Stockholm. The damage is estimated at about \$20,000, but the stores destroyed were old and out-of-date.

## PILOT'S LICENCE.

COURT SEQUEL TO MERSEY  
STRANDING.

### A REVOCATION.

An unusual case came before Judge Dowdall, K.C., at the Liverpool County Court, when a petition was presented by Mr. George Brazendale, a Mersey Dock Board licensed pilot, appealing against an order of the Pilots Committee of the Dock Board, subsequently confirmed by the Board itself, revoking his first-class licence and substituting therefor a second-class licence. The committee had found that the appellant had been guilty of neglect of duty in respect of the piloting of the steamer "Kaysen," which grounded outside the Herculaneum Dock on December 3 last, and the appellant asked that the revocation be quashed on the ground, amongst others, that he was not given a proper opportunity of being heard in his defence upon the charge by the piloting authority, and that the meeting which heard the case on January 10 and 17 was, differently constituted on each respective occasion.

Mr. R. E. Gething (instructed by Messrs. Batesons) appeared for the appellant, and Mr. G. Justin Lynskey, instructed by Mr. E. G. Finch, solicitor to the Mersey Docks and Harbour Board, appeared for the respondents.

The case resolved itself into a legal argument lasting some hours, and eventually his Honour found that the order of revocation was bad and inoperative, and ordered that the first-class licence should be restored, and that the applicant should have costs.

On the application of Mr. Lynskey, a stay of execution was granted on the usual terms.

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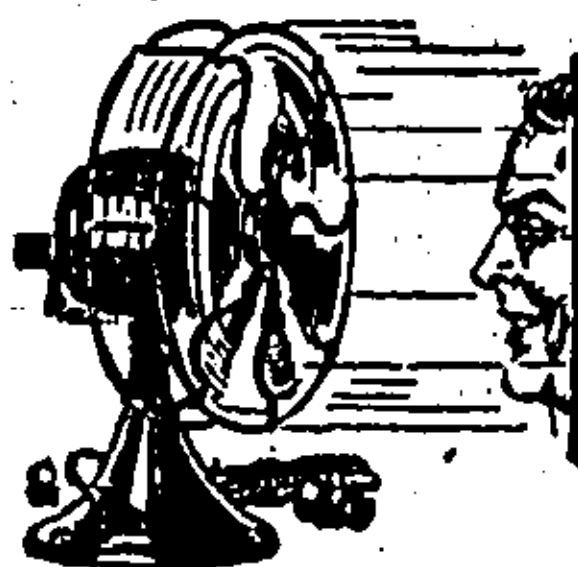
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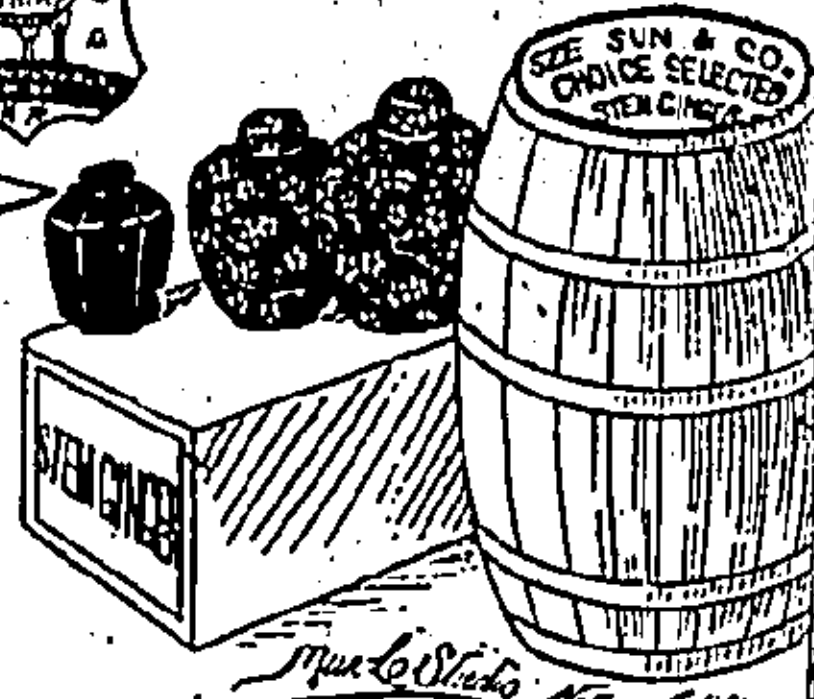
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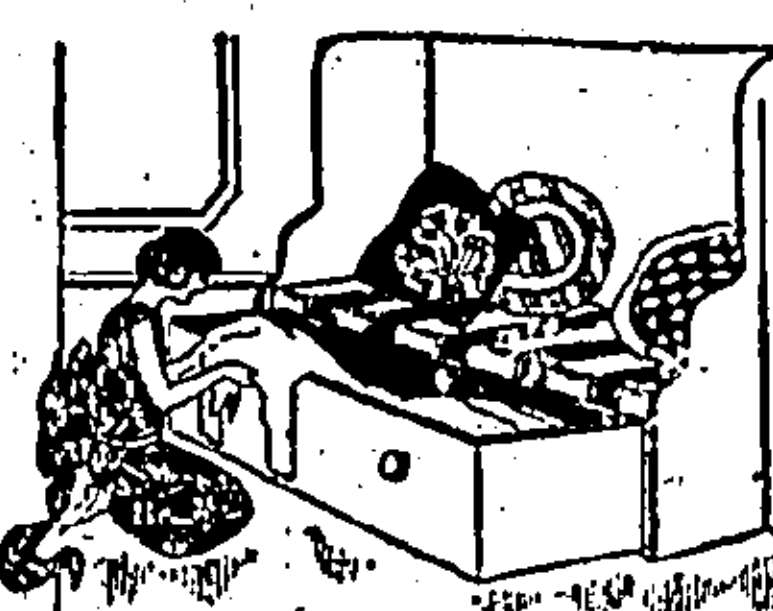
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## BIRTHS.

AALL.—On June 24, at the Norwegian Legation, Peking, to Chong Aall, son of Madame N. Aall, a son.

THORESEN.—On June 27, 1928, at St. Mary's Hospital, Shanghai, to Mr. and Mrs. T. Thoresen, a daughter.

## DEATH.

LI.—Mrs. Li Siu Shi (widow of Li Po of Heungshan and Sydney, Australia) on July 2 at 87, Kai Tack Bund, Kowloon City, aged 67 years.

Hong Kong, Tuesday, July 3, 1928.

## IS IT WORTH WHILE?

Money is the temptation underlying the efforts of the Nationalist leaders to remove the offices of the Chinese Government from Peking to Nanking. This much is apparent from the fact of the transfer being confined mainly to the revenue-producing departments. But complications are arising because people other than the Chinese have liens on such revenue. Otherwise, the question of location of the capital is one essentially for the Chinese. It is a moot point, however, whether the foreign officers in these departments can refuse orders by the Nationalists to shift to Nanking. They are servants of the Chinese Government although their position is unique; but a policy of obstruction will help nobody. The Diplomatic Body may be able to make some concessions. Until obligations are met, however, the Ministers have to do what is their obvious duty. The Postal Administration and the Salt Gabelle are less important, financially, than the Customs, which has not been so much

in the public eye as it was a few months ago. The Customs surplus, the levying of the surtaxes and tariff revision are matters which must receive consideration sooner or later. And it is with a view to strengthening their hands for that occasion that the Nationalists are now striving might and main to bring the machinery from Peking to Nanking. For years the Diplomatic Body has handed over the Customs surplus to the authority in Peking. The abortive Tariff Conference, it may be remembered, was held in Peking. If there is any more money coming, either from the surplus or surtaxes, it seems feasible that Peking will get it.

Peking's status must therefore, from the Nationalist standpoint, be drastically reduced. Owing to a multiplicity of events, Nanking's influence in Peking is little more than nominal. Feng Yu-hsiang is the power almost everywhere in Chihli province except in Peking itself. That is why the Nationalists are trying to make Peking an ordinary city—not even a provincial capital, it having been mooted that Paoing-fu should be the seat of the provincial administration. The question which all Chinese, including the most ardent Nationalist, should ask themselves is:—Is it worth while? For a temporary advantage, yes. Feng Yu-hsiang will have less chance to thrust himself forward. Yen Hsi-shan, who is not credited with personal aspirations, will only be the commander of a big city the equal of, say, Canton or Hankow.

To effect the change the Nationalists will have to vacate a number of valuable and historic buildings in Peking and, at expense which can ill be spared at the moment, secure new accommodation in Nanking. Another question which observers in Peking have been prompted to ask is:—Will the Nationalists risk the loss of face entailed in repudiating undertakings given by responsible Chinese in the past as to the method of running these revenue-producing administrations? That, we submit, is not of primary importance because the chances of China getting a loan of any magnitude—no matter what the inducement may be—are exceedingly remote. Stability is absent. But that is no reason why the Nationalists should add to the degree of uncertainty. After a recent visit to Canton, we see little use in advancing sentiment as an argument against "reducing" Peking. The city which has been the capital for so many centuries retains its glamour. In Canton, objects

of art and interest have had to make way for dusty roads. We hope that Peking's remaining treasure will not be sacrificed on the altar of political scheming. In any case, is it worth while?

## Wonders of Aviation.

The telegram referring to the wonderfully successful cruise of the four Royal Air Force flying boats, which covered 16,500 miles, during which the schedule was followed in detail and the long tour completed without mishap, taken in conjunction with what has been wired to us regarding the splendid flying display at Hendon on Saturday, is more than ever convincing proof of the marvellous efficiency of Britain's aerial science of to-day. As to the R.A.F.'s tour each flying boat weighed nine tons, had sleeping accommodation, stores, equipment, etc. As stated it covered 16,500 miles without the slightest mishap and, though it visited 70 ports en route, it kept to its schedule as laid down before it left England. The scientific data that was expected to be gleaned from the tour has been fully realised and technicians are stated to have been most agreeably astonished by the results. As for the display at Hendon, we read that the "actual warfare part was most fascinating, showing mass manoeuvres against troops and tanks." This clearly connotes a very high stage of that efficiency which has been striven for for years. If future wars, despite the longings of Leagues of Nations and Anti-War Treaties, are largely to be conducted in the air, as has often been predicted, it is at least satisfactory that Britons are prepared to hold their own with "all-comers."

Judge George A. Malcolm, of the Manila High Court, passed through on the "President McKinley" yesterday from Honolulu.

Mr. S. J. Carter has been appointed second officer of s.s. "Taishan," vice Mr. Lake, who has gone to s.s. "Lungshan."

Dr. Rebecca Parish, a Manila physician, arrived here yesterday aboard the s.s. "President McKinley" from the North.

Owing to the high tide prevailing, the s.s. "Kocho," which foundered at Wangmoon last month, has partly re-floated, says a Chinese report.

Nine Catholic fathers for missionary work in the Philippines were on the "McKinley" which arrived here yesterday from San Francisco and the north.

Mr. H. Glover, representative of Messrs. Pilkington Bros. Ltd., glass manufacturers, leaves to-day on board the "President Taft" for a two months business trip north.

At the Kowloon Magistrate's, yesterday, two Chinese were committed to the Supreme Court, by Mr. W. Schofield, in connection with highway robbery in Gascoigne road recently.

Mr. Wong Su, a director of the Canton Arsenal, arrived in this Colony on the evening of the 1st. It is understood that he is on private business and will return to Canton in a few days.

The family of Wong Lum, commander of the "Hoicheong," a Wuchow boat, which was pirated in Taiying-sha, have received a letter from him informing them that a ransom of \$40,000 is demanded by the pirates for his release.

Owing to the frequency of West River steamers being pirated, the Inland Water Steamers Guild has drawn up 15 regulations for the prevention of piracy. These have been handed to the West River Steamship Federation for discussion.

Yang Mu, a married woman, 41 years of age, residing at 36, Temple-street, was removed to the Kwong Wah Hospital yesterday, suffering from a wound in her arm, which was reported to be inflicted by her husband, Wong Chak-chi. Her husband, in return tried to commit suicide "by cutting his tongue" and was also removed to the hospital.

Mr. Hin Wong, M.A., professor of Sun Yat Sen University and Boy Scout Commissioner in Canton, completed his first year's service with the University last week by finishing the tests of the scouts under his supervision. It is understood that Mr. Wong has decided to resign from the chair of professor in the College of Arts, and to accept a position in the School of Law and Political Science at the University in order to assume the duty of foreign secretary of the Kwong Industrial Exposition to be held in Luchow, Kwangsi, the autumn of 1929.

Low Kam, building contractor, has reported that his foreman, Lai Wah, absconded after collecting a sum of \$98.70 at No. 50, Praya East.

The cook of the s.s. "Lungshan" was fined \$3,000 or 6 months' imprisonment by Mr. R. E. Lindsell this morning for having in possession of 40 taels of opium.

According to a report made to the police by the master of a Chinese shop at No. 50, Praya East, a fold of the shop is alleged to have absconded, taking with him \$90.

The Hon. Mrs. Edward Warner, wife of Major E. C. T. Warner, D.S.O., M.C., commanding 2nd Batt. Scots Guards, is leaving tomorrow for home by the "Empress of Russia."

Three cases of stealing from the matchbox at West Point were brought before Mr. R. E. Lindsell this morning. Two of the culprits were sentenced to 6 weeks' and the other to a month's jail.

Mr. Tai Chi-tao, principal of the Chung San University, Canton, arrived in Hong Kong with his wife and daughter by the s.s. "Fatahan" yesterday afternoon. It is understood that he will proceed to Nanking in a few days.

The engagement is announced of Lieut. T. K. W. Atkinson, R.N., only son of the late C. W. Atkinson, M.A., and Mrs. Atkinson, to Winifred Mary, elder daughter of S. D. Carothers, A.M.I.C.E., and Mrs. Carothers, of Hong Kong.

A Chinese was fined \$20 or, in default, 4 weeks' hard labour by Major C. Willson this morning for stealing a gold watch and a jacket from No. 13, Macdonnell-road on June 30. The defendant was also charged with giving a wrong address at a pawnshop.

Women of Suffolk presented a White Ensign to the new cruiser "Suffolk," which left Portsmouth on June 1, and a message has been received stating "All officers and men send their greetings on leaving for China, where, assisted by our regiment, we hope to bring fame and honour to the name of Suffolk."

The Province of Kwangsi, through the Bureau of Construction, has opened a crude office on the 4th floor of the Bank of Canton Building. The office is in charge of Mr. T. Y. Tam, Trade Commissioner, who was several years in business in other parts of China after having returned from his study in America.

Members of the Institution of Engineers and Shipbuilders are informed that Mr. Walton Schmidt will deliver a lecture (illustrated by cinematograph films) in the Rooms of the Institution on Thursday, July 5, at 5.30 p.m. on the subject of "Modern Motor Transportation." Members and their friends are cordially invited to be present.

The body of Wong Kam-ming, the Chinese student who was drowned at the Chinese Bathing Club, North Point, on Sunday, was discovered yesterday afternoon and was removed to the Kowloon Mortuary. Owing to this tragedy, the Chinese Bathing Club has decided to station two more sampans near the rafts and to form a trained life saving corps, one of whose members will keep watch whenever swimmers are in the water.

Lieut. E. S. D. Fremantle, R.N., who is to marry Miss Dorothy Sinclair, of Southsea, of a family which has been associated with the senior service since the days of Nelson. His father, Sir Sydney Fremantle, and his grandfather, Sir Edmund Fremantle, the "father of the navy," who was 92 last month, are both full admirals, and what is perhaps more remarkable, are on the retired list together. Lieut. Fremantle recently returned home from the China station, where he had served two years in the "Hollyhock." Miss Sinclair is the elder daughter of Major W. Sinclair, of the Royal Marines.

The death has occurred of Mrs. Li Po, the widow of a former well-known merchant of Sydney who pre-deceased her 17 years ago. Mrs. Li Po was a lady of the most conservative type in spite of her family of modern sons and daughters, of whom are Messrs. Yinson Li, Li Chor-chi, Li Zee-min, Charles and Duncan Li, and Mrs. Y. K. Chow and Mrs. C. L. Chow, the former being a daughter-in-law of Sir Shou-si, and Lady Chow. The funeral will take place this week-end at the small Christian cemetery at Kowloon City, and the remains will be transferred later to the family grave in the Heungshan district.

## POLICE RESERVE.

OFFICIAL ORDERS  
DISOBEYED.

## SEARCHING RESERVISTS.

The following orders have been issued by the Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, C.M.G., Captain Superintendent of Police.

Searching of Police Reservists. The following order issued to the Regular Force by the Hon. C. S. P. is published for information of Police Reservists:—

Memo No. 1029—Official Badges, Police Reservists.—With reference to Memo 165 of January 31, 1928, dealing with the issue of Official Badges to Police Reservists on qualifying as fully trained members of the Police Reserve, the C. S. P. notes with regret that his instructions that every assistance be granted to such Reservists is not being carried out satisfactorily. The Police are hereby notified that in future all Police Reservists wearing such badges will be entitled to exemption from search except by a European Officer.

(Sd.) E. D. C. WOLFE.

Capt. Super. of Police.

June 29, 1928.

## Training School.

The weekly classes for Police Reservists at the Police Training School, Kowloon, will be held on Wednesday, July 4, at 6 p.m. sharp. All members of the Chinese, Indian, and Flying Squad Companies who have not yet passed Part 2 of Training Course must attend.

Chinese Company. Advanced men of the Chinese Company to be detailed by the C.C. will parade at the Police Training School, Kowloon, on Wednesday, July 4, at 6 p.m. sharp for Extended Order and Baton Drill under Inspector Paterson. Dress—Muffi, Rifle, Side-arms, and Truncheon to be carried.

All recruits of the Chinese Company will parade at Central Police Station on Thursday, July 5, at 5.30 p.m. sharp for Squad Drill and Rifle Exercises under Sergt. Condon. Dress—Muffi.

Members of the Chinese Company to be detailed by the C.C. will attend at the Kennedy-road Revolver Range on Sunday, July 8, for the advanced Revolver Course under Inspector Booker. Firing will commence at 9 a.m. sharp. Dress—Muffi.

Indian Company. Strength. Constable R252 Y. J. Khan is permitted to resign as from June 22.

All recruits of the Indian Company will parade at Central Police Station on Thursday, July 5, at 5.30 p.m. sharp for Squad Drill under Sergt. Condon. Dress—Muffi.

Flying Squad. The weekly instructional patrol of the Hong Kong Section will take place on Thursday, July 5. Fall in at Central Police Station at 5.15 p.m. sharp. Dress—Khaki. Sharpshooters' Company. The regular fortnightly revolver practice will take place at Kennedy-road Range on Wednesday, July 11, at 5 p.m. Members will assemble at the range with revolvers, holsters, and belts. Uniform optional.

(Sd.) W. KENT, A.S.P.

Adjutant.

Hong Kong, July 3, 1928.

## SAD FATALITY.

### BUS INSPECTOR'S TRAGIC DEATH.

Wong Ghuk-hong, an omnibus inspector, was killed during the week-end as the result of falling off an Aberdeen motor bus. The vehicle was turning out of Eastern-street on its way from Saiyungpun to Aberdeen, when the inspector, in alighting from the vehicle while it was in motion, slipped on the wet road and fell under the bus. The rear wheels ran over him and he was so badly injured that he died soon after his admission to the Government Civil Hospital.

## UNEXPECTED TRIP.

### HOW A STUDENT CAME TO HONG KONG.

Describing himself as a student of Amoy, a young Chinese was yesterday charged, before Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistracy, with stowing away on the s.s. "Tjalsak." Defendant admitted being on board the ship without a ticket, but stated that he went on board to see some friends of his. Suddenly he discovered that the ship was moving, and then it was too late for him to get ashore. A fine of \$15 was imposed, with the alternative of three weeks' hard labour.

A Czech-Slovak Parliamentary delegation consisting of twenty-three members of both Houses has arrived in Belgrade. They were received on the frontier by Yugoslav Parliamentary committees, and greeted at the station at Belgrade by the Minister of Agriculture.



## CANTON WIRELESS.

SCHEME TO LINK UP THE PROVINCE.

FURTHER TENDERS?

Further to the recent announcement that a network of wireless stations had been planned by the Kwangtung Department of Reconstruction and recommended to the Provincial Government for consideration, more details of the plan are now available.

The plan provides for the erection of wireless stations in the principal equipment to be of the latest type.

A tender for the supply of the necessary equipment is reported to have been made by a foreign firm, the tender including the supply and erection of about fifty stations. The total cost as quoted in the tender is believed to be in the region of G\$300,000. Payment is asked for in monthly instalments, to be deposited in a bank mutually acceptable to both parties, the instalments to be of such value as to clear the entire cost in fifteen months. To balance these instalments, the tenderer proposes to supply the wireless gear in fifteen shipments, one each month, to correspond with the monthly payments.

It has not been divulged what the opinion of the Canton Government is with regard to this tender, but it is rumoured that tenders from other suppliers are being invited.—"Canton Gazette."

## GOLDEN WEDDING.

HOW TO BE HAPPY THOUGH AN M.P.

Two noted parliamentary figures, Sir Harry Foster, M. P. for Portsmouth, and the Rt. Hon. Sir Harry Samuel, former M. P., for Norwood, celebrated their golden wedding last month.

Sir Harry, and Lady Foster were "At Home" to many of their intimate friends on the afternoon of their golden wedding day in their flat at Buckingham. In gold letters inside the invitation to the reception the following reproduction of an old notice is inscribed:—

On Thursday, June 6, 1878, by Bishop Billing, Harry Seymour Foster, second son of S. G. Foster, of Tulse Hill, to Amy, second daughter of John Sparks, of Eastbourne.

Sir Harry, a wonderfully active man of seventy-three years of age, said to a "Daily Express" representative:—

"I can only say that happy marriages are questions of give and take, 'bear and forbear' and all the rest of it. I do not believe that it is possible to go through married life without occasional quarrels, unless people are extremely anaemic and without personality."

"Quick Half-Century." "The whole of my half-century of married life has passed so quickly that it seems more like three years than fifty," said Sir Harry Samuel, who is at Brighton.

"Although I am nearly seventy-five, I cannot bring myself to a feeling of respectability. Marriage, fifty years ago, was a serious undertaking, and it was entered on with infinitely more thought than nowadays, when people seem to jump in and out of marriages with little thought."

"I won't say that in every way marriages in those days were happier, but there was certainly more give and take, and that is an absolutely essential factor in a happy marriage."

## UNVACCINATED.

PROTEST AT EXEMPTIONS.

The Medical Officer of Health for High Wycombe, Bucks. (Dr. Bannerman) states in his annual report for 1927 that 93 per cent. of the children were exempt from being vaccinated. By the recent extensions the population is about 26,000. "At this rate," he says, "Wycombe will soon be an unvaccinated town, and I dread to think of the disastrous results should smallpox get a hold in the town. The stamping out of it would be exceedingly difficult, and the expense would be very great. I sincerely regret that the exemptions are so easily obtained, and perhaps the town may have to pay dearly for it. I hold no brief in this matter; it is purely a public health grounds that I bring before the Council what in my opinion is a serious state of affairs."

The medical officer adds that of 294 children born in 1927, only twenty-six were vaccinated.

Mrs. Silas H. Strawn of Chicago, wife of the Chief American delegate to the China Tariff Conference at Peking in 1925, has been appointed President of the Chinese branch of a national organisation which has recently been formed in the United States known as "Friends of China."

## LONDON &amp; SPAIN.

HOW FIRST PHONE CALL WAS MADE.

AND WHAT IT COSTS.

Telephone communication between Spain and Britain, another link in the growing chain of European telephonic communication, was inaugurated in mail week.

The Madrid correspondent of "The Daily Mail" by this means announced that the marriage of General Primo de Rivera, the Spanish Prime Minister, would take place in Catalonia on August 20. He and his bride will spend their honeymoon in the Canary Isles.

The correspondent's voice was heard at Northcliffe House, London, with perfect clarity. Communication passed over the cable through France via Biarritz, Bordeaux, and Paris, and was far superior in audibility to that with parts of Scotland and Ireland.

14 Countries. The "Daily Mail" Madrid correspondent said that the day was a glorious one of magnificent sunshine, and that the Spanish Asot was being held with great success. Calls to Madrid cost 14s. 3d. for three minutes.

Britain is now linked by telephone with 14 European countries. Some long-distance calls which can be made from London and the cost of a three minutes conversation are:

Cadiz, Spain	17/6
Budapest, Hungary	15/6
Konigsberg, Eastern Germany	15/3
Lulea, Northern Sweden	20/-
Oslo, Norway	18/6
Vienna, Austria	14/9

## BLONDE AT 140.

MONKEY-GLAND HOPE FOR WOMEN.

DIFFERENCE FROM MEN.

Dr. Serge Voronoff, who claims that human beings should live to 140 by his grafting of monkey glands treatment, has said that results similar to those obtained with men are only got after three monkey glands are grafted into a woman. He added:—

"A peculiar difference between the effect on men and women is that women regain the natural colour of their hair, but the hair which grows again on men's heads remains grey."

"The life of a monkey gland, after being grafted into the human body, is between three and six years. A person can easily be re-grafted."

"I am afraid surgeons here will be handicapped, owing to your anti-vivisection laws. Grafting can only be carried out in England when the glands are taken from a human being. Monkeys are not allowed to be operated on unless one holds a licence."

## A SCREW DRIVER.

CHINESE SUSPICIOUS SILENCE.

With three previous convictions against him, a Chinese was this morning, at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court, charged with the unlawful possession of a screw-driver.

The facts of the case are rather peculiar, in that on Sunday, the defendant met a detective in Jordan-road, and apparently recognising the latter threw down the screw-driver and took to his heels. After a hot chase lasting about 5 minutes, the man was caught and taken to the station, where he could not give a satisfactory explanation of the possession of the implement.

Before Mr. Schofield this morning he admitted that he had the screw-driver, but refused to give any explanation regarding it.

In sentencing the defendant to 2 months' hard labour, Mr. Schofield made an additional order for accused to be kept under police supervision for 2 years, at the expiration of the sentence.

## SERIOUS CHARGE.

ALLEGED ARMED ROBBERY.

Four Chinese were charged at the Central Magistracy, before Major C. Willson this morning, with armed robbery at the premises of Cheung Yun, medicine dealer, at No. 84, Des Voeux-road West, on June 30.

The defendants were Li Ching-kwong (26), Chan Chuen (22), Cheng Wa-fu (26), and Tam Ping-yuen (24), all unemployed. They were also charged with being in possession of three revolvers and a dagger.

One week's formal remand was granted, on the application of Sub-Inspector M. Murphy, prosecuting.

## CINEMA IN SCHOOL.

HOW GROMWELL MAY REPLACE TOM MIX.

AN AID TO STUDIES.

The film has won its way to the class-room in London at last. Very soon, according to an official decision just made at the County Hall, teachers will be turning on cinematograph films as an aid to the study of history, geography, nature, and other subjects.

No longer, when the teacher is talking about a rhinoceros, will he describe it as an angulate mammal and leave it at that.

Battle Pictures. He will show "close-ups" of the beast in the regions where it lives. He will do the same thing with the elephant, or even the British badger and the common or garden robin.

Roundheads and Cavaliers will not be left to an inadequate vocabulary or a still more inadequate juvenile imagination. They will march and fight on the screen before the assembled class.

The boy who said a desert was a large patch on a map that was usually painted yellow may have a camel ride across the Sahara with a camera without leaving his seat, and the screen again will show him glaciers and volcanoes and the tribes of many countries.

A Hard Struggle. Already in many schools in England films are in daily use, but the struggle of the advocates of film aid for the elementary school children of London has been long and hard.

Even now the triumph of recognition is qualified. No money is to be allowed for apparatus. So the films will be restricted to schools where the teaching staff can raise the funds for the necessary equipment by subscription.

Once it has been provided, the Council will not mind paying for upkeep, any more than it does many privately presented gramophones.

As for the films, two rules are laid down. They must be non-inflammable and bought without any increase of the allowance for books.

The Lucky Six. The teacher who buys films will have to cut down his requirements in new lesson books.

"Only about five or six schools have equipped themselves as yet with cinematograph apparatus," said an official of the Education Committee to "The Evening News," "but there is little doubt that a large number will follow the example before long. One of the difficulties hitherto has been to obtain films that were not inflammable."

The decision just reached followed the inspection by a committee of about 100 educational films, all of a special non-inflammable make which were offered by a City firm of publishers.

300 Subjects. The films are prepared for classroom use and give a picture on the screen measuring about 4 ft. by 3 ft. "About 300 or 400 different films are available in eight groups, ranging from travel and nature studies to the story of Bonnie Prince Charlie and sport in various parts of the world."

"SUEZ CANAL SCRIP"

INGENIOUS PLOT THWARTED.

Paris.—An ingenious scheme by means of which, it is alleged, one Netter, alias Roger Hussen, hoped to raise considerable sums from credit establishments has been nipped in the bud.

Some time ago Hussen called upon a certain printer and, producing a Suez Canal share certificate, said he required 5,000 similar forms which must be absolutely accurate as regarded engraving and colouring. He is said to have explained that these were urgently wanted, but that the Suez Canal company's regular printer was too busy to be able to execute them in time.

The printer's suspicions were aroused, and they were strengthened when he learned that he would be required to place the other printer's name on the forms. He accordingly informed the police and when Hussen called on another printer he was received by a detective posing as an employee. The detective promised to execute the order, but when Hussen returned later to collect the goods he was arrested. It is alleged that his scheme was to deposit forged certificates with various banks as security for advances, and that notes found in his possession showed in detail his plans for placing them.

The Belgrade Cabinet has authorised M. Marinkovich, the Minister for Foreign Affairs, to place the Nettuno Conventions before the Chamber. The Nettuno Conventions, which are supplementary to the Treaty of Rome between Jugoslavia and Italy, have been awaiting ratification since 1924.

## QUEEN'S THEATRE.

FINAL SHOWINGS OF "ROOKIES."

TO-MORROW'S PROGRAMMES.

"Rookies," the comedy which has been delighting Queen's Theatre audiences since Monday will be screened for the last time to-day. The action of the picture takes place in military training camp. Karl Dane, one of the heroes of "The Big Parade," has the role of a rough-diamond sergeant, and George K. Arthur, famous as a film comedian, is seen as the greenest of recruits. Complications arise when both fall in love with a beautiful girl, a part played by Marceline Day. It is an original story from the pen of Byron Morgan, author of many pictures, which combine first class comedy with plenty of thrills.

Norma Talmadge's big picture, "The Dove," will commence a four day run to-morrow, and at the 9.20 p.m. performances, Miss Cherie Valentine and Miss Tomasita Birdwell will give a further selection of novel, dance items. Usual prices will be charged.

## STAR THEATRE.

AN E. PHILLIPS OPPENHEIM NOVEL FILMED.

"Millionaires," a picture suggested by the E. Phillips Oppenheim novel "The Inevitable Millionaires," is the feature attraction at the Star Theatre to-day and to-morrow.

It tells the story of a simple Jewish family transformed into millionaires overnight. Their amusing difficulties trying to break into high society border on tragedy when the wife is convinced she must divorce her husband if she is to continue to be a member of the magic circle. However, mutual affection and common sense save the day, and together they return to their little tailoring shop, much the wiser for their hard-earned experience. Louise Fazenda heads a large cast of players which includes, George Sydney, the amusing partner of "Potash and Perlmutter," Vera Gordon and Helene Costello.

## WORLD THEATRE.

THRILLS AND ROMANCE IN "WINNERS OF THE WILDERNESS."

Stirring days of the French and Indian War, when the English colonies were menaced by the French, make an ideal setting for a romantic love affair in "Winners of the Wilderness," a picture which comes to the World Theatre to-day and to-morrow.

The cast of characters is composed of prominent figures in history, and include, George Washington, as a young major of militia in the Service of the British Crown, Captains Cage and Gates, the former a British General during the American revolution, and the latter destined to become a famous revolutionary patriot of Bunker Hill. Tim McCoy the popular new western star, is the leading player. Joan Crawford is the heroine, and Roy D'Arcy of "The Merry Widow," fame appears in support. "Winners of the Wilderness," is an exciting picture with a thrilling climax.

## THE CITY OF PEKING.

Writing to "The Times" on the city of Peking, Dr. Lionel Giles states:—A number of cities have certainly occupied approximately the same site, but their history is far from being continuous; after the destruction of Chi, for instance, in 221 B.C., the site remained desolate for nearly three centuries; a small town was then built some three or four miles farther south. The present city, dates only from the early 16th century, when the Ming Emperor, Yung Lo, found it necessary to shift his capital northwards in order to direct operations against the still formidable Mongols.



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## Shadows Before

COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN THE "MAIL."

To-day — Queen's Theatre; "Rookies."

To-day—World Theatre; "Winners of the Wilderness."

To-day—Star Theatre; "Millionaires."

July 4—Queen's Theatre; "The Dove."

July 5—World Theatre; "Cradle Snatchers."

July 5—Star Theatre; Blonde or Brunette.

Lammerts' Auctions.

July 4—At 121 Des Voeux-rd. West, ground floor, goodwill, signboard, rice mills, etc., etc. of the Tai Yau Fung Firm, noon.

July 6—At 3, Waverley-terrace, Kowloon Dock, Hunghom, household furniture, 11 a.m.

July 6—At Sales Room, 4 Duddell-st., household furniture, 2.30 p.m.

Meetings.

To-day—Committee meeting of the Theosophical Society at the Lodge, 6 p.m.

July 5—Annual general meeting of H. K. Football Assn., Volunteer Headquarters, 5.30 p.m.

Miscellaneous.

July 4—American Community "At Home" to its friends, at Lane Crawford's lounge, from 4 to 6.30 p.m.

July 5—Lecture on "Modern Motor Transportation" by Mr. Walton Schmidt, in the Rooms of the Institution of Engineers & Shipbuilders, 5.30 p.m.

A Hungarian, Sebastian Schmidt, has arrived in Lisbon, on his way round the world on a bicycle, having left Budapest on September 7 last year. He has already cycled 36,000 miles, and has another 12,000 to do.

An exhibition depicting the progress of Czechoslovak civilisation has been opened at Brno (Brunn) in celebration of the anniversary of the establishment of the Czechoslovak State ten years ago.

Dr. Wilfred Grenfell, founder and superintendent of the Labrador Medical Mission, received the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws at McGill University convocation in Montreal on May 30.

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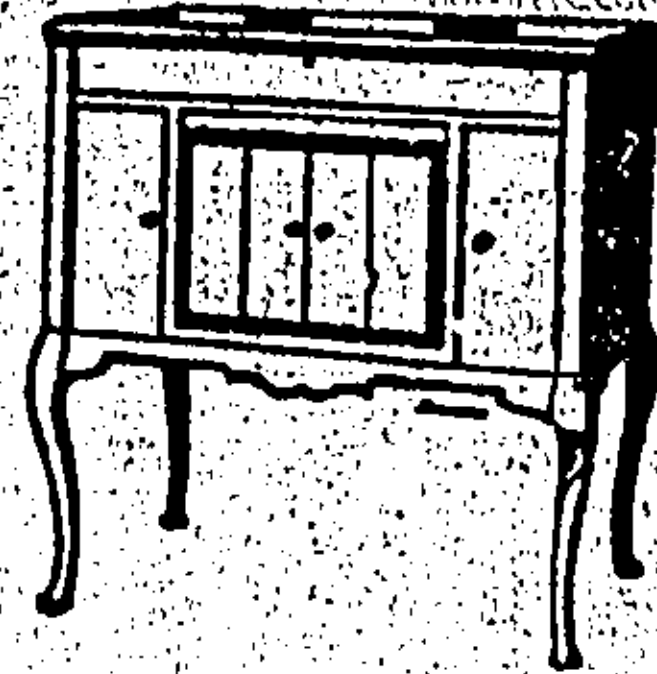
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**HANYANG ARSENAL.**

HOW TO DISPOSE OF SOURCE  
OF DANGER.

THE SOLDIERS' VIEWPOINT.

Hankow, June 19.  
Some indication of the difficulties which the Nationalist Government will have to face in the near future is furnished by the deliberations in the Wu-Han Political Council on the question of the future of the large Arsenal at Hanyang. The beginnings of the Arsenal date from the time when the Yangtze Viceroy decided to train compact bodies of troops on Western lines. Excellent German instructors were engaged and the trading was efficient, while the Arsenal itself turned out the necessary arms and ammunition in such limited quantities as were needed.

Bone of Contention.

After the revolution the Arsenal proved a curse to the Wu-Han cities. It was the principal object of attack by the Northern troops which came down to suppress the revolution, and the attempts to defend it resulted in the burning of Hankow. The finest architectural feature of old Hankow, the Erh Si Hwei Kuan, built at prodigious expense by the merchants from Shensi and Shansi, was destroyed by shots fired by the defenders of the Hanyang Hill.

And from the establishment of the Republic onward, the Arsenal has developed steadily in its output capacity and has attracted the covetous eyes of a succession of military rulers. It is a healthy sign that the Wu-Han Political Council is now more likely to be a bone of contention than a help to the national progress. Even though Nanking may have allocated Hupeh, Hunan and Szechuan to one of the group of provinces, it is clear that the existence of the Arsenal will still be a cause of trouble while Szechuanese or Hunanese generals remain unreconciled to the Nanking programme.

Labour Hostile.

The natural thing would be for the activities of the Arsenal to be limited by the dismantling of machinery and the adaptation of the plant to commercial purposes, and the Wu-Han Political Council would like to put such a scheme through. In fact it has passed a resolution that this is to be done. But at this point its difficulties begin. For on the one hand there are a good many military officials who do not want to see the supply of munitions lessened lest the unpreparedness of the Wu-Han troops should invite aggressive action by rivals. And on the other hand the mechanics who are out of work in hundreds have no wish to see the large plant at Hanyang competing with other firms for the limited amount of engineering work now being done. There is no doubt that there is bitter opposition on the part of the civilian Labour Unions to what may be called the "soldier labour policy" of the Nationalist Government.

When one remembers recent messages about the Shaforce men who have not been absorbed back into the ranks of the employed in Great Britain, one wonders how the Nationalist Government, manned as it is by men of little practical experience, is going to carry through its demobilisation schemes without creating serious unrest.

Feng Attacks Squeeze.

Marshal Feng has certainly not added to the gaiety of his subordinates by his discovery that these gentlemen have been accepting commissions varying from five to fifteen per cent. on purchases of army supplies in Hankow. It seems that the Marshal sent down a few confidential agents, and their report has roused his ire. According to the current story, he has told his agents that unless they account within the next fifteen days for all the moneys which have passed through their hands, he will arrange for a firing squad to get busy. The Marshal certainly shows that he can make his subordinates toe the line if he wishes to do so.—"N. C. Daily News."

"FASCINATED."

WOMAN WHO GOT IN A CAR &  
DROVE AWAY.

A charge of stealing a motor-car from Peak-street, Soho, was made against Doris Pardo Turner, aged 25, a poultry farmer, of Churchlane, Charlton, S.E. at Marlborough-street Police Court a few weeks ago.

Mr. Barker, for the Commissioner of Police, stated that she was seen driving the car through Peckham and was stopped as the number plate was obscured.

Mr. Vine, for the defence, said that car seemed to fascinate her, and seeing this she got in and drove away.

She was fined £50, with 25 costs.

**BANK WINS.**

JUDGMENT FOR MANILA  
CORPORATION.

BROTHER'S ESTATE.

Manila, June 28.  
The Asia Banking Corporation yesterday was awarded judgment for the sum of P. 63,534.64 by Judge C. A. Imperial, of the court of first instance of Manila, against Fred J. Elser, of this city, as special administrator of the estate of his brother the late Henry W. Elser. The sum includes P58,900 with legal interest from July 29, 1927; 3,624.98 with legal interest from July 29, 1927; and P809.66 with 8 per cent. interest from September 14, 1923. The defendant was granted a counterclaim for P6,051.54.

Records show that on February 25, 1922, Luis R. Yangco was indebted to the Yangco, Rosenstock and Company, Inc. for unpaid subscription to the capital stock of the corporation in the sum of P58,900. On the same day, the late Henry W. Elser, by a notarial document, purchased from Luis R. Yangco all his stock in the corporation and agreed to pay to the corporation the unpaid subscription of Mr. Yangco for stock amounting to P58,900.

It is further shown that by virtue of a judgment obtained in the court of first instance of Manila against the Yangco, Rosenstock & Company, Inc., the Asia Banking Corporation, caused to be sold at public auction all the rights, title and interest of the former corporation in addition to the unpaid subscription assumed by the deceased Henry W. Elser. The money awarded to Mr. Elser represents an old account of the Yangco, Rosenstock and Company with the former.

**FLYING BOATS.**

R. A. F. RECEPTION  
AT BROOME.

Broome, June 2.

A civic reception was given today to the Royal Air Force aviators, who arrived on Friday in four flying boats, under command of Group Captain Cave-Brown-Cave, and also to Flight Commander Wackett, of the Australian Flying Corps, who met the visiting aviators at Broome and who will accompany them around Australia in his Widgeon Amphibian machine. Captain Gregory, chairman of the local road board, welcomed the fliers. He said he was proud and gratified to be the first in Australia to extend a welcome to these men. Flying was the last word in British defence. He congratulated the men on keeping perfect formation and making a wonderful landing.

Group Captain Cave thanked the citizens of the town for their kind welcome and the help everyone gave when the weather caused trouble at the moorings. He hardly believed his good fortune when he was told in England that the boats were to fly to Australia. Now, he was greatly pleased to arrive. The British Empire was wide. Every part of it could not keep the necessary forces to protect itself from enemies and therefore, it was necessary that forces from Egypt, India and Singapore should be able to concentrate at a given point at short notice. They were now proving that it was possible to do this. The aviators were gaining a wonderful experience. Flying conditions were ideal. A few years ago flying boats were a minus quantity. People knew of them, but did not trust them. This flight was to prove their reliability and it had done so, for no accident or trouble had occurred since they left England. They were turned loose for 15 months and were confident that they would return to the base at Singapore without trouble, having proved the reliability of flying boats and also the practicability of concentrating the air arm fighting forces at short notice. He regretted having to leave the reception early, but the moorings of the boats were in a too much exposed position and endangered the safety of the boats.

Appreciation.

Flight Commander Wackett said he appreciated the treatment given to him during his stay. It had been his good fortune to be selected to meet the visitors. He was sorry that he was unable to bring Australia's new metal boat, but he did the next best thing and brought an Australian production in the Widgeon. Originally he intended to go to Singapore, but the Commonwealth Government considered the risk too great. He was flying down with the Southamptons and would make a study of them and put the knowledge he learned to use when designing flying boats to suit Australian conditions.

Some Yukon Indians have adopted the aeroplane as a means of travelling to and from their trapping districts. Aeroplanes have been several days in marketing their furs, which more than pays for the extra expenses of travelling by air.

**NOTED PRIESTS.**

FOR THE EUCHARIST  
CONGRESS.

PHILIPPINE'S CHOICE.

Manila, June 28.  
The Philippines will be represented by his Grace Michael O'Doherty, Archbishop of Manila, as chairman, and Archbishop Hurth, Bishop McCloskey of Iloilo, Bishop Sofronio Hachang of Calbayog, Samar; Bishop Clos of Zamboanga, Bishop S. Sancho of Vigan, Ilocos Sur, and several priests from various sections of the Philippine Islands, at the 29th Eucharist Congress which will take place this year in Sydney, Australia, September 6 to 10. Prominent families of Iloilo among them are the Ledesmas the Jovelanos and several others will also accompany the Philippine delegation.

The Philippine delegation will leave Manila on August 20 on the British steamer "Changte," making a call in Iloilo, on the 22nd where the largest provincial delegation will board the steamer. From Iloilo, the delegation will proceed directly to Sydney reaching that port on September 5, the eve of the inauguration of the holy congress.

Papal Legatee to Attend.

Cardinal Cerretti, papal legatee, will officially represent the Pope in the congress, according to advices received recently from Rome by Archbishop O'Doherty.

**GAMBLING CRAZE.**

MALAYA'S HOLIDAYS FOR  
THE RACES.

"MOST INCONVENIENT."

Referring to racing problems in Malaya, the "Times of Malaya" says:—

With regard to the exchange banks declaring half holidays on race days, this action is most inconvenient to the ordinary business man, and the banks would, we are convinced, be well advised to give up the practice of closing down on race days. From an ethical point of view it is not right that the big banks of Malaya should encourage the present orgy of race gambling, but we really consider that the whole blame for the present position rests on the Government of British Malaya, which Government has suddenly looked on at a growing evil until to-day the evil has got beyond all bounds.

"The Sooner They Close."  
As our Kuala Lumpur contemporary states, the Malayan Government stands in a position of trustee or guardian towards the people of the country. The Government of British Malaya has itself made that claim and we, therefore, now challenge the Government of British Malaya to act in the manner it claims that it does act and so suppress, once and for all time, the present disgraceful orgy of race gambling in Malaya, which movement is bringing ruin to hundreds of Oriental homes and is debauching the masses. If the race clubs of Malaya cannot exist purely as sporting clubs, then the sooner they close the better will it be for the country.

**BUNYAN RELIC.**

"HOUSE BEAUTIFUL"  
APPEAL.

To mark the tercentenary of the year of John Bunyan's birth, an appeal is being launched for £1,000 to save and preserve to the nation what remains of Houghton House, Amptill, the original of the "House Beautiful" in "The Pilgrim's Progress." The actual cost of purchasing the ruins is £350, and to render them safe and to remove the ivy and ingrowing trees will absorb the remainder of the sum. The appeal is issued by Mr. S. H. Whitbread (Lord-Lieutenant of the county of Bedford), Mr. Anthony Wingfield (lord of the manor), Mr. A. E. Richardson, F. S. A., Professor of Architecture, London University, and Mr. Percy G. Langdon, Bedfordshire local secretary, Society of Antiquaries.

Money to the amount of £250 has been given or promised before the appeal is launched, but the need of immediate purchase and repairs is a pressing one if this one of the very few Bunyan relics is to be preserved to the nation. Donations may be sent to the secretary of the Bedford Arts Club, Mr. H. Fryer Smith, 29, Warwick-avenue, Bedford.

Singapore, Yesterday. — The Legislature of the Straits has passed a resolution that the rate payable under the Rubber Lands Assessment Ordinance shall be one cent per pound, which will become effective from May 4, 1928. The minimum export duty was also fixed at one cent a pound to be effective from July 1, 1928. — Benter.

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# Sport Columns

## OLYMPIC SURPRISE.

U.S. ROWING MAN A BRITON!  
A FAMOUS STROKE.

New York, Yesterday.  
On the eve of its departure for Philadelphia to participate in the American Olympic rowing trials, the Columbia crew ex-Olympic champions, and one of the big favorites, discovered that its famous stroke Eric Lambart was ineligible being a Briton, although he came from England at an early age.—Reuter's American Service.

## GOLF CLUB FACES.

SOME POINTS CONCERNING RESTRICTIONS.

[By Harry Vardon.]

I suppose it does not matter very much what device the long-handled golfer seeks in the form and makes of his clubs when he is trying to improve his game. It is usually his manner of swinging that wants setting right, and all the artifices imaginable in club-construction will not achieve that purpose.

Still, it is worth while pointing out that there are legal limitations as to the kind of implements that may be used. Some players do not seem to be aware of the fact. Clubs that almost certainly would not secure the sanction of the Rules Committee are to be seen in a good many bags.

One man told me the other day that he had discovered a good means of introducing some "bite" on to the face of his masher so as to make it put back-spin on the ball for his pitches. He had deepened and widened the lines scored across the face of the club. He was wholly innocent of the circumstance that he had thus made it illegal.

It is a very good thing that the various inventions which were once a craze even among some of the best players have been suppressed. In some instances, they may have been a help to people possessed of a certain knack or skill in their use, but they introduced a spurious influence into the game and I doubt whether they would ever have been of service to the rank and file of golfers.

A few years ago there was a great to do about the masher with deep, sharp-edged hollows running in parallel lines across the striking surface. It was regarded as an implement which rendered the application of back-spin, a matter of automatic action—rather than art and, indeed, its razor-like edges did bite at the ball with such fierce effect as often to make it jump back on alighting, instead of running forward.

Jack Hutchison, of Chicago, used such a club when winning the British Open Championship at St. Andrews in 1921, and I remember several of his shots (one over the burn guarding the first green stands out vividly in the memory) which actually leapt back a foot or so on pitching. But I am certain that the moderate player would not have been able to hit the ball half the necessary distance with such a club.

## THE PROTOTYPE.

America was supposed to have been the birthplace of these devilish inventions; but, in point of fact, those of us who have known the game for a quarter of a century can recollect their progenitors in Britain long before they were thought of in the United States. The only difference in the British grooved masher, which rejoiced in the name of the "Stoper," and had a considerable vogue for a time, was that the edges of its hollows were bevelled.

When the sharp edges arrived to increase the stopping effect, most people thought that the thing had gone far enough, and it was the United States Golf Association who suggested to the British Rules Committee that such clubs should be barred. Both countries now have restrictions on the point.

Knowing that grooves would not be allowed, the United States professionals subsequently came over for the Open Championship with the faces of all their iron clubs punched with holes, the edges of which—pointing downwards towards the ground—were left rough and jagged, so as to secure a biting effect on the ball. They had these holes punched afresh every day.

It is true that the British rule at the time said nothing about such indentations and eruptions (it specified only grooves, slots, and corrugations as being illegal), but it is obvious that if you make sharp, rough-edged holes in sufficient number on the face of a club, the effect is just the same as if you introduce grooves.

I have no doubt that the Ameri-

## AT WIMBLEDON.

THREE FRENCHMEN IN SEMI FINALS.  
AN AUSTRALIAN "HOPE."

London, Yesterday.

In the men's singles lawn tennis championship at Wimbledon to-day Lacoste (France), Cochet (France) Tilden (United States) and Boususs (France) reached the semi-finals. Tilden will meet Lacoste and Cochet will meet Boususs for places in the final.

In the women's singles Miss Helen Wills, (United States), qualified for the semi-final on Saturday. Other semi-finalists are Miss Akhurst (Australia), who to-day beat Miss Eileen Bennett, the only remaining representative of Britain, Senorita de Alvarez (Spain) and Miss Ryan.

## MEN'S SINGLES.

### Quarter Finals.

Lacoste beat Demmerpurg 6-2, 6-3, 6-4.  
Cochet beat Hennessey 6-4, 6-1, 6-7, 6-3.  
Tilden beat Borotra 8-6, 8-6, 6-3, 6-2.  
Boususs beat Brugnon 12-10, 10-8, 6-2.

## WOMEN'S SINGLES.

### Quarter Finals.

Miss Ryan beat Madame Nicolopoulou 6-4, 4-6, 6-2.  
Miss Akhurst (Australia) beat Miss Eileen Bennett 2-6, 6-3, 6-2.  
Senorita de Alvarez (Spain) beat Fraulein Aussem 7-5, 6-2.

## BALLOON RACE.

THREE FORCED DOWN IN VIRGINIA.

Detroit, Yesterday.

Three balloons, one American, one Swiss and one Argentine, of the 12 starters in the Gordon Bennett race, have been forced down in Virginia.

### Still Aloft.

The French and German balloons are still aloft. Other have landed in North Carolina.—Reuter's American Service.

One thought genuinely that if the British authorities had wished to bar these punched holes, they would have included them among the prohibitions mentioned in the rules; and that in the absence of such mention they were legal. What the visitors could not understand was that they were allowed to use these clubs for a month, during which they took part in two big tournaments, and that the interdiction was announced within thirty-six hours of the beginning of the Championship.

They resort to no such aids now, and yet the standard of their golf is, if anything, higher than ever.

## TRADITION THAT CONFUSES.

Unfortunately, tradition does not help us very much to decide what is the proper club. Old time golfers will tell you that, half a century ago, it was a common thing to hack little marks in the face of an iron so as to produce a stopping effect, or at any rate, an effect calculated to save the ball from slipping off the club at the impact.

In a distant past, when beech—a comparatively soft substance compared with the persimmon now in vogue—was used for the heads of wooden clubs, it was customary to have a leather face fixed to such clubs, so that they might last longer. In truth, almost from time immemorial, there have been facings of many kinds—ivory, hump, and what not. The player steeped in tradition might be as hard put to it as the new golfer to decide upon the justice of some features of a club-face.

One practice adopted sometimes in America when the grass is damp and slippery, and the ball is apt to slide off the club at the impact, is to glue sandpaper to the face of a wooden club, so as to obtain a rough, holding surface. Is this against the spirit of the game? It is on all fours with expedients—such as fibre facings—which have been adopted in the long ago.

The only solution would seem to be to rule that, after a certain date, the face of every golf club must be perfectly plain. It would be necessary to fix that date for some years ahead, because otherwise tens of thousands of clubs would have to be scrapped. But makers would then cease to produce iron heads with marked faces, and in the end uniformity, simplicity, and peace would reign.

## NEW CHALLENGE.

SIR A. KEITH ON BRAIN AND MIND.

### CONTROVERSIAL.

Sir Arthur Keith, President of the British Association, whose address to that body upon the theory of man's origin aroused considerable controversy, returned to the attack in the Ludwig Mond lecture, which he delivered at Manchester University.

"The Implications of Darwinism" was the title of his lecture, in the course of which he stated that medical men could find no ground for believing that the brain was a dual organ, a compound of the stance and of spirit. In other words the spirit dies with the body. "Every fact known to medical men compels the inference," he said, "that mind, spirit, soul are the manifestations of the living brain, just as flame is the manifestation of a burning candle. At the moment of extinction, both flame and spirit cease to have separate existence."

"However much this mode of explaining man's mentality may run counter to long and deeply cherished beliefs, medical men cannot think otherwise, if they are to believe the evidence of their senses."

Sir Arthur's latest pronouncement has evoked much comment. The following are some of the views expressed.

Sir Arthur Conan Doyle. "Sir Arthur Keith may be a great authority on prehistoric man and comparative anatomy, but he knows nothing of psychological research. I do not admit that the brain gives rise to the soul. The brain may crumble away, but the soul still exists, as it uses the brain as an instrument."

Dr. Barnes, Bishop of Birmingham. "Belief in a continued existence of the human spirit after the death of the body cannot be overthrown by any such analogy. Positive reasons for belief in personal immortality are, of course, derived from arguments of a different nature. Goodness, beauty and truth are, we argue, the ultimate values of the universe, and therefore permanent as a part of the highest category of reality."

Sir John Bland-Sutton. "I want to refer to some lines I wrote in the 'Morning Post' three years ago, at the end of a review of Flammarion's 'Death and After.' These lines were:

In the dim future do not seek to peep  
Trying to fathom things obscure and deep;  
Youth often laughs at death, but old men weep  
Wise men know death to be an endless sleep.  
"An endless sleep—I could not put it better than that."

Mr. Alfred Noyes. "It is time scientists talked a little more poetry. If they can show that the greater can be contained in the less, then I shall know that the poetry of Shakespeare had its origin in floating gasses."

Dean Inge. "The future life has sometimes been taught in such a way as to make inevitable a reaction against it, and we are now paying the penalty of wide-spread repudiation of the idea of immortality."

DIAMOND QUEEN.

MR. LEVINE'S REPORTED CLAIM AGAINST MISS BOLL.

Paris, May 23.  
The news that Miss Mabel Boll contemplates a flight from England to America in the Miss Columbia, the aeroplane owned by Mr. Charles Levine is interesting in view of the following.

Miss Mabel Boll, who is known as the "Diamond Queen" on account of her many beautiful jewels, and whose ambition was to be the first woman to fly the Atlantic, is being sued by Mr. Charles Levine, who flew from America to Germany with Mr. Clarence Chamberlin, for £2,400.

The grounds of the action against Miss Boll are being kept secret, neither Mr. Levine nor his legal adviser being willing to make a statement, says the "New York Herald" (Paris edition).

It is known that there have been differences between Miss Boll and Mr. Levine for some time. Miss Boll offered Mr. Levine a large sum of money to take her with him and Mr. Chamberlin on a return trip from Germany to the United States.

The offer was made immediately after Mr. Levine had crossed the Atlantic to Germany. It was declined.

Captain Hinchliffe, the British

## NEW POST OFFICE.

SINGAPORE'S OFFICIAL OPENING.

### SOME INTERESTING DETAILS.

The new Singapore Post Office was to have been officially opened by H. E. the Governor on June 27. The question of building a new Post Office in Singapore was first contemplated during the war and a committee was eventually formed in April 1918. In 1920 it was finally decided to carry on with the scheme. The Architect and Assistant Architect, Messrs. P. H. Keys, F.R.I.B.A. and E. Dowdeswell, A.R.I.B.A., commencing their duties in May, 1920.

### GOOD PROGRESS.

The sketch plans and design for the facade were in the Council Chamber for one month and then approval was obtained to go ahead with the working drawings. When these were practically completed, it was decided, owing to the unsettled financial position in the Colony, to postpone the building until the position brightened.

The old General Post Office was pulled down in 1922, and a temporary building on Collyer Quay built to do duty until the new building was erected. Tenders were eventually called on November 30, 1923, and work commenced in February, 1924, the contract period being four years and the amount of tender being \$4,098,808.

The work has progressed well and the time table being fairly well maintained, in fact the contract is really ahead of time, after allowance has been made for the necessary increase of time for bad weather and extra works.

### MANY DIFFICULTIES.

Many difficulties have had to be met and overcome, chiefly in the excavations, which was through a clay and boulder strata, while much pumping was required on account of the levels of the raft being below the tidal level. Over 45,000 cubic yards of earth were excavated and removed from the site.

The reinforced concrete structure was designed by Messrs. Edmond Coignet and Co., and was chosen from eleven competitors, as being the design most suitable to the requirements. The building contains about 20,500 cubic yards of reinforced concrete and over 1,300 tons of steel. The other materials chiefly used on the building are bricks, of which about 3,500,000 were required; of various descriptions, and about 16,000 yards super of hollow blocks supplied by the Borneo Co. Artificial granite has been employed for the facings, of which about 124,000 ft. cub has been used, and timber about 20,000 ft. cub.

### GOVERNMENT OFFICES.

The site area was 75,000 ft. super and the building is to be occupied by the following Departments: Post Office 112,826 ft. super; Master Attendant 13,110; Import and Exports 7,127; Chief Health Officer 3,394; P.C.M.O. 2,992; Director of Education and Inspector of Schools 5,272; Monopolies 9,284; Marine Surveyor 4,604; Veterinary Surgeon 2,387; Government Survey Office, 9,749; Post Office Wireless 4,708; Quarters for P.O. and Monopolies 19,320; The Singapore Club 75,000; Chamber of Commerce 10,130; Co-operative Societies 2,030.

It is expected that the total cost will not exceed \$4,750,000, the amount allowed in the vote for this work; this sum will allow for postal fittings, variations and extra works, in addition to the contract amount already mentioned.

### SINGAPORE CLUB.

During the course of the erection of the building, various departments have been housed as the portions of the building became complete. The Singapore Club were housed temporarily in the north end of the building on the 1st floor, in order to allow of the demolition of the old Chamber of Commerce Building, the Chamber of Commerce also being temporarily housed adjacent to the River on the 1st floor. The contractors for the building are Messrs. Perry and Co. (Overseas) Ltd.

The electric lights are supplied by the Express Lift Co. and the electric lighting etc. has been carried out departmentally by the P.W.D. under the supervision of Capt. Reay.

The clerk of works on the work from the commencement to completion was Mr. Thos. Holmes.

## ITALY AND AUSTRIA.

CORDIAL MESSAGES NOW EXCHANGED.

### DIPLOMATIC MOVE.

Rome, Yesterday.  
It is semi-officially stated that in consequence of the exchange of cordial messages between Signor Mussolini and the Austrian Chancellor regarding the Upper Adige, the Italian Minister who was recalled from Vienna has been ordered to return.—Reuter.

## REACHED THE TOP.

GENE TUNNEY SPEAKS ABOUT HIMSELF.

### KEEPS HIS OLD HABITS.

"Now that I am title holder I can find no intellectual stimulus. In the realm of music, art, and literature there is no top, no ultimate. A violinist or a painter finds new and greater vistas opening before him as his skill increases."

This was Gene Tunney's story of disillusionment in brief, as told to a newspaper representative. The champion deplored the fact that in boxing there was but one peak, the heavy-weight championship, which he holds. But he admitted that he owes a lot to boxing. "Eleven years ago, I pounded a typewriter of \$3 a week. The habits and customs of living that I formed then are still with me," said Tunney. "My wants are simple, and I feel that I have enough money to care for myself for ever."

## LONDON FLATS.

MAGNIFICENT BUILDINGS BEING ERECTED.

Certain parts of London, and notably Piccadilly and in the neighbourhood of Hyde Park, promise eventually to resemble Park Avenue in New York says the "Christian Science Monitor." The building of costly and magnificent apartment houses—called flats in London—continues steadily, and while doubt is often expressed about the probability of finding tenants able and willing to pay the high rents required, the fact remains that such tenants are found and the buildings apparently are paying.

Devonshire House, in Piccadilly, has flats renting up to £6,000 year, and other new buildings in the neighbourhood are on the same scale. Two new buildings a little farther north at the corner of Upper Baker-street and Marylebone-road, will be eight-storey structures costing £1,500,000 with four to seven bedrooms in each flat and almost every known modern convenience.

Very few of these expensive flats are rented to Americans. Income taxes in Britain are astonishingly burdensome for people of large means, and recent decisions by the tax authorities have been of such a character that most well-to-do Americans prefer to live in a hotel during their stay in England and not to incur for themselves a legal position where they might be held liable for taxes. Curiously enough, this does not appear to bother many South Americans, who are coming to London in increasing numbers, and many of whom occupy expensive flats.

It is the small London family which formerly occupied a large house and maintained a considerable number of servants that the new flats chiefly appeal to. The difficulties of the servant question, and the expense of adapting old dwelling houses to modern ideas of domestic comfort have convinced many people in London, as in many other large cities, that the flat is the superior of the house in comfort, and in the end is not less economical.

## BRITISH DOCTORS.

150 MEDICOS "INVADE" PARIS.

One hundred and fifty British doctors of both sexes, members of the Royal Institute of Public Health, recently arrived in Paris and began a series of visits to the principal hospitals. They intend to make a thorough study of the city's medical institutions and afterward they will visit the spas at Vichy and Aix-les-Bains.

They established contact with the leading medical and surgical authorities in Paris at a banquet at the Hotel du Palais d'Orsay, presided over by Sir Henry Lunn, and were given a very cordial welcome, the ladies of the Bienvenue Francaise having organised special entertainment in their honour.

As a result of this gathering there are likely to be further exchanges of visits of French and British doctors, and Sir Thomas Oliver, chairman of the council of the Royal Institute of Public Health, of which Viscount Burnham is president, set the ball rolling by extending a hearty invitation to the French doctors to Dublin in August. Dr. Leon Bernard, professor of hygiene at the University of Paris, in welcoming the idea of this exchange of visits, declared that there was no country in the world so perfect as England in the matter of hygiene. It was the only country where two universities, Edinburgh and Cardiff, had instituted two chairs for fighting tuberculosis, while a village for the treatment of consumptives had been realised.

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On demand .....	126 1/2
Credits, 4 months' .....	—
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On demand .....	—
On New York—	
On demand .....	49%
Credits, 60 days' sight .....	—
On Bombay—	
Wire .....	136 1/2
On demand .....	136 1/2
On Calcutta—	
Wire .....	136 1/2
On demand .....	136 1/2
On Singapore—	
On demand .....	88
On Manila—	
On demand .....	99%
On Shanghai—	
On demand .....	75%
30 day's sight (private paper) .....	—
On Yokohama—	
On demand .....	106%
Gold Leaf, 100 fine .....	—
(per tact) .....	—
Sovereigns (Bank's buying rate) .....	2/13
Silver (per oz.) .....	27 7/16
Bar Silver in Hong Kong .....	5% prem.
Chinese Copper Cash .....	6% prem.
Chinese Copper Coins .....	6% prem.
Rate of Native Interest .....	7% p.a.
Chinese Sub. Coin .....	32 1/2% dis.
Hong Kong Sub. Coin Par.	—

### LONDON EXCHANGES.

London, Yesterday.	
Paris .....	124.20
New York .....	4.87 28/32
Brussels .....	34.92
Geneva .....	25.80
Amsterdam .....	12.09%
Milan .....	92.80
Berlin .....	20.41
Stockholm .....	18.175
Copenhagen .....	18.19
Oslo .....	18.22
Vienna .....	34.605
Prague .....	164%
Helsingfors .....	193%
Madrid .....	29.59
Lisbon .....	2 7/8
Athens .....	875
Bucharest .....	792 1/2
Rio .....	5 57/64
Buenos Aires .....	47%
Bombay .....	1/6%
Shanghai .....	Holiday
Hong Kong .....	Holiday
Yokohama .....	1/10%
Silver Spot .....	27 7/16
Silver Forward .....	27%

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do. C. ....	\$24%	n
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Insurance.		
Canton Insurance .....	\$820	s
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do. (Def.) .....	\$70	b
Shell Transport .....	\$105/-	n
Water-boats .....	\$20%	n
Mining.		
Banquets .....	\$1%	b
Kailan Mining Ad. ....	\$60/-	n
Langkat (Combined) .....	\$12.20	n
do. (Single) .....	\$6.90	n
Shanghai Exploration .....	\$2.45	b
Shanghai Loans .....	\$73 1/2	n
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H.K. & S. Wharves ....	\$137 1/2	n
H.K. & W. Docks .....	\$40	b
China Providents .....	\$4.95	b
Hongkong .....	\$1156	n
New Engineering .....	\$75	n
Shanghai Docks .....	\$1105%	n
Cotton Mills.		
Ewo Cottons .....	\$78.70	n
Oriental Cottons .....	\$72.20	n
Shal Cottons (Old) .....	\$75 1/2	n
do. (new) .....	\$72 1/2	n
Lands, Hotels & Bldgs.		
H.K. & S. Hotels .....	\$9.20	n
Hongkong Lands .....	\$35 1/2	b
Shanghai Lands .....	\$1156	b
Humphreys Estates .....	\$14 b 14 1/2 %	s
Hongkong Realities .....	\$3	s
H.K. Territorials .....	—	
Public Buildings		
H.K. Tramways .....	\$24.00	n
Peak Trams (old) .....	\$12%	n
do. (new) .....	\$3	n
Star Ferries .....	\$84%	n
China Lights (comb.) .....	\$12	b
do. (old) .....	\$12/12%	n
do. (new) .....	\$11.85 b 11.85 %	n
do. 1928 issue .....	\$11.00	n
H.K. Electric .....	\$47 1/2	n x Rte
Electric (new) .....	\$46%	n
Electric (old) .....	\$20%	b
H.K. Telephone .....	\$240	n
China Buses .....	\$9%	n
Singapore Tractions .....	\$11/3	n
do. Pref. ....	\$17 1/2	n
Industrial.		
Alma Sugar .....	\$2.70	n
Macdon Sugar .....	\$24%	n
Canton Ice .....	\$3.30	b
Cements (comb.) .....	\$3.60	n
do. (old) .....	\$3.40	n
do. (new) .....	\$1.55	b
H.K. Jones (old) .....	\$2.10	s
do. (new) .....	\$2.10	n
United Asbestos .....	\$10	n
Stores, &c.		
Dairy Farms .....	\$21.60	b
Watsons .....	\$14	s
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Per A. Jones .....	\$2%	n
MacKintoshes .....	\$24	s
Sinclair .....	\$9%	n
Wm. Powells .....	\$3	b
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## RADIO NOTES.

### CHINA BROADCASTING ASSOCIATION.

The following letter recently appeared in a Shanghai contemporary:

Sir,—The letter re Broadcasting signed by Mr. Parsons is rather ambiguous. How can he have received Big Ben striking the hours of 11 p.m. and 12 p.m. at 5.10 a.m. Shanghai time? There must have been an interval of one hour. Both could not possibly come at the same time.

Chelmsford England is not 2 S. W. it is 5 S.W.

It may interest your many Radio enthusiasts to know that the British Broadcasting Corporation are transmitting on short wave (42 meters) the programmes of Davenport which is 5XX relaying them daily from 7 p.m. until midnight and that it is comparatively easy to hear same by using a 4-valve set with loud speaker the circuit being the well known Schnell.

After several listening "Ins" on more than one circuit I have not been able to hear the 11 o'clock hour strike, but I can distinctly hear the midnight hour and "This is the Chelmsford Station, Great Britain, closing down for to-night. Good-night everybody."

I am, etc.,  
Reggie Broadley.

### PROGRAMME HEARD FROM RADIO STUDIO.

A flying radio studio! A bigger and better thrill for radio fans!

Many thousands of eager listeners in America, gasped with astonishment one night when, after enjoying the syncopated strains of a late dance melody, their loud-speakers announced that the programme to which they had been listening was being broadcast from an aeroplane circling over the city of Los Angeles at a speed of 100 miles per hour.

For what is believed to have been the first time, an aeroplane and a radio were successfully united. Another advance step in the rapid progress of those two creations of modern ingenuity was inscribed upon the pages of natural scientific history.

From the earth, those who were attracted by the throbbing of the three powerful motors saw only the lighted windows and red, white and green navigating lights as the great fire transport circled over the city.

### Excellent Reception.

At an altitude of approximately 2,500 feet a one-hour programme of unusual merit was broadcast which, according to reports, came through with all the quality of a regular studio broadcast.

Between numbers on the programme the musicians looked down from the windows of their luxuriously appointed flying studio upon a fairland metropolis. Long rivers of flowing light marked the crawling movement of thousands of motorcars plying the crowded thoroughfares in all directions. Flashing electric signs in many vivid colours gave the impression of a widespread fireworks display out of its element.

On a far summit of the north hills a beacon light marked the midnight trail of the air mail, and in the distance as far as the eye could reach clusters of twinkling lights indicated the position of neighbouring cities and towns where in many homes radio sets were informing their listeners of this latest step in the advancement of radio and aviation progress.

### A SIMPLE VOLUME CONTROL FOR ANY SET.

The most satisfactory volume control is one which controls the radio process as soon as possible. In other words, the nearer the antenna end one begins to exercise control, the better, while the nearer the loud-speaker end, the more

chances there are of introducing distortion. The simplest solution of volume control, therefore, is a variable high resistance shunted across the antenna and ground binding posts of the receiver. This arrangement may be applied to any existing set. The variable resistance may be mounted on the usual panel, or externally yet near the receiver. A volume control rheostat (200 ohm—2 megohm) will be found well suited to this purpose, with a wide range of resistance in several turns of its knob. This arrangement is applicable to the latest A-C tube sets, and offers remarkable control of volume without introducing distortion. It also has some influence on the sensitivity of the set.

### Why Not a Tone Control?

We hear much regarding a suitable volume control, but very little about a tone control. Yet the latter is almost as important as the former. There are times when we want sharp, crisp reproduction, such as for speeches, band and jazz selections, and weak signals, while at other times we want mellow, soft, entrancing vocal and instrumental rendition. A tone control, therefore, is necessary to remove the higher frequencies which are responsible for the sharp, crisp and usually disagreeable quality of sound. The simplest tone control comprises a volume control rheostat (200 ohm—2 megohm in series with a ¼ mfd. condenser, the combination being shunted across the loud-speaker input. Turning the knob of the rheostat serves to increase or decrease sharpness.

### ISOLATION IN SCREENED GRID CIRCUITS.

Probably no tube has created as much interest as the new shielded grid. This tube, with its promise of greatly increased amplification at radio-frequencies, has caused an unusual amount of discussion among set builders and experimenters.

The experience of a host of experimenters indicates quite definitely that any real improvement in performance can only come as a result of careful design and a strict attention to the characteristics of the tube. If it is merely substituted in the present receiver poor results will inevitably result.

Those who have worked with the tube for some time, that is to say a year or more, while it was in the experimental stages assure us that nearly all of the problems can be summed up in one word "isolation." This isolation cannot be made too complete due to the sensitivity of the tube and the high amplification per stage that may be obtained.

The isolation usually includes thorough shielding to eliminate the coupling which might occur through inductances and capacitances, and in addition to this, complete isolation of the battery supply circuits. Some work along these lines has been done with receivers using the old type tube. All of these things, greatly refined must be applied to the new type tube, and other precautions peculiar to this tube must be taken.

### Shield Grid Needs Impedance.

No coupling must be permitted through the plate circuit. To avoid this, a radio-frequency choke must be introduced into the circuit to give the high impedance or choking effect necessary, and a high-grade by-pass condenser to provide the alternative low-impedance path to the radio-frequency currents. To insure effective choking the choke should have a very low distributed capacity, and a choke having a capacity of three microfarads may be used.

Many high capacity paper condensers which are satisfactory at low or power frequencies are entirely unsatisfactory at radio-frequencies. Imperfections which are not evident when using direct or low-frequency alternative current become very important at radio-frequencies.

If a 1 mfd. by-pass condenser

is used with a good choke, less than 1-100,000th of the radio-frequency current will go through the choke to the B supply circuit.

The shielded grid type tube has a mu or amplification constant of about 50 with respect to the plate. This means that any radio-frequency disturbance in this circuit is amplified 50 times in the plate circuit. Needless to say no coupling can be permitted through the supply circuit to the shield. To overcome this the current through the shield should be supplied through a resistance which has a low capacity between the terminals and which, is non-inductive. It must have a constant resistance to prevent "frying" noise which would result from changes in current in this circuit.

This circuit should preferably be supplied through a 2,000-ohm resistance of the leak type. A by-pass condenser of .5 or 1 mfd. should then be connected from the G terminal of the socket, which goes to the shield grid, to the negative filament lead.

Coupling through the grid circuit is much more difficult to eliminate. A common C battery or source of bias should not be used if this can be avoided. If one is used, the grid circuit should be fed through a 1 megohm leak and a 5 mfd. condenser connected from this lead, at the point it enters the shield, to the negative filament terminal of the tube.

### Shielding.

The shields should preferably be of copper with all possible seams soldered. The top should be crimped so that it overlaps the sides both inside and out by ½ of an inch. The cans of the by-pass condensers should be grounded to the shields and they should be mounted so one terminal is adjacent to the battery lead, to which it is to be connected at the point it enters the can.

The control grid lead should be carefully shielded if it passes from one compartment to another. All leads should be made as short and direct as possible.

In addition to the precautions mentioned all possible precautions should be taken in an eliminator, if one is used, to eliminate the common coupling impedance. This requires that higher capacity, high quality condensers be shunted across the various B supply leads in the eliminator. In such a case the condenser requirement for minimum hum or modulation no longer becomes the controlling factor. Of much greater importance is the elimination of sources of coupling through the supply.

## REGIONAL RADIO.

### HOME POST OFFICE SANCTION.

The Postmaster-General has sanctioned the erection of the first of the new high-power twin-wave stations contemplated by the B.B.C. in its regional scheme.

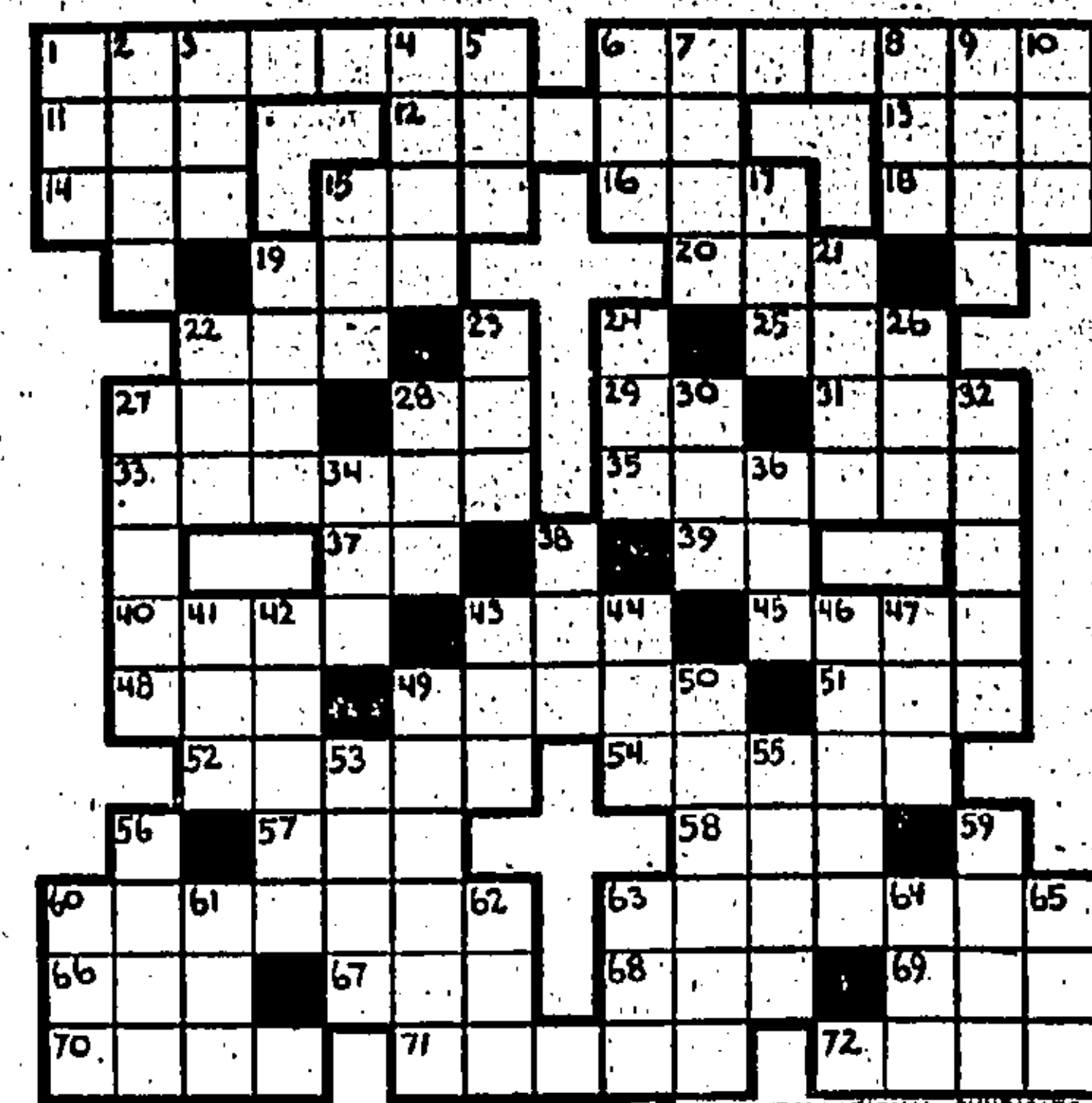
The B.B.C. issued an official statement to this effect adding that the new station is to be to the north of London, and it is anticipated that it will be ready for service within from twelve to fifteen months. Work will begin shortly.

The object of the B.B.C.'s regional scheme is to provide alternative or contrasting programmes for crystal listeners over as wide an area as possible. This aim, it is believed, can be best attained by the erection of five twin-wave high-power transmitters at suitable centres. A different programme would be given on each wavelength. The number of exclusive wavelengths allocated to Britain under the Geneva plan restricts the number of projected stations.

One of these five stations will serve South-Eastern England, and this is the one the B.B.C. is now about to construct to the north of London. It is probable that the site will be somewhere near Potters-bar, but its exact location, together with other details, such as the wavelengths to be used and the power, are not yet settled definitely.

## DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



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| <p><b>HORIZONTAL</b></p> <p>1—An English lexicographer</p> <p>6—A city of Palestine whose walls fell before Joshua</p> <p>11—A seaport, S. W. Finland</p> <p>12—A person whose mental capacity has been arrested</p> <p>13—Prenoun</p> <p>14—To bend</p> <p>15—A projecting point</p> <p>16—A little</p> <p>18—Prefix. Before</p> <p>19—A prickly flower-head</p> <p>23—Obscure</p> <p>22—Received</p> <p>25—Combining form.</p> <p>27—The note of the dove</p> <p>28—A musical note</p> <p>29—Article</p> <p>31—To bend downward</p> <p>33—An English poet</p> <p>35—An English cardinal; chancellor under Henry VIII</p> <p>37—Conjunction</p> <p>39—Mother</p> <p>40—A current of air</p> <p>43—An infusion used medicinally</p> <p>45—The S. American ostrich</p> <p>48—Nothing</p> <p>49—An island, Dutch</p> | <p><b>HORIZONTAL (Cont.)</b></p> <p>51—Quite</p> <p>52—A tropical American parrot</p> <p>54—To sing with a tremor</p> <p>57—Irrregular (abbr.)</p> <p>58—A gap in a ridge of hills</p> <p>60—A slogan of the Declaration of Independence</p> <p>63—An entrance closed with a gate</p> <p>66—Anger</p> <p>67—Great sorrow</p> <p>68—Girl's name</p> <p>69—A constellation</p> <p>70—To string on a stick</p> <p>71—An English general who captured Quebec</p> <p>72—A stay</p> | <p><b>VERTICAL (Cont.)</b></p> <p>15—To project</p> <p>17—To cant</p> <p>18—A blessing</p> <p>21—To assemble</p> <p>22—A Portuguese colony, W. coast of India</p> <p>23—To spoil</p> <p>24—A part of the face</p> <p>25—No (Scott.)</p> <p>27—A jester</p> <p>28—Decease</p> <p>30—Name (French) motion</p> <p>34—A dowry</p> <p>35—A Roman household god</p> <p>38—To write</p> <p>41—Purpose</p> <p>42—Sense of smell</p> <p>43—A marble</p> <p>44—Something done</p> <p>46—Unhappily, town in Central S. Prussia</p> <p>47—A measure of length</p> <p>49—Large, single-blade pocket-knife</p> <p>50—A vaulted passageway</p> <p>53—A black bird</p> <p>55—The Greek I</p> <p>56—To cavil</p> <p>59—A gambling game</p> <p>60—Prefix. On this side</p> <p>61—A Brazilian coin</p> <p>62—Lion (Latin)</p> <p>63—If (Scott.)</p> <p>64—Strife</p> <p>65—One of the Caroline Islands</p> |
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(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

## A "FLYING SQUAD."

B.B.C. "HUSH-HUSH" VAN.

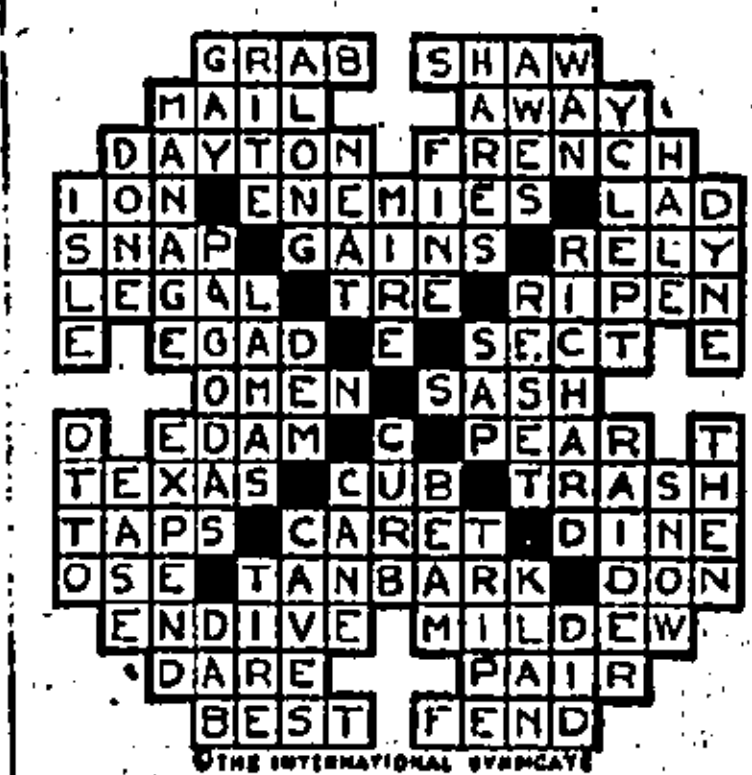
### OUTSIDE BROADCAST LINK.

The British Broadcasting Corporation has just acquired a "hush-hush" motor-van for use in connection with outside broadcasts.

Although the exact purpose of this van is at the moment a secret, it can be said that it is not to be a transmitter. It is to contain amplifiers, and possibly some form of portable microphone, to link with the nearest telephone exchange. The British Broadcasting Corporation will therefore be equipped with a sort of "flying squad" able to convey all the apparatus necessary for an outside broadcast to any spot at short notice.

Such a van might be conveniently used for broadcasting the song of the nightingale, or descriptions and news stories where advanced preparations would be impracticable. In the case of sporting broadcasts the British Broadcasting Corporation engineers should be saved considerable trouble. As the van will need a land-line its use will be somewhat restricted, but the possibility is suggested of one equipped with a short wave transmitter, the land equivalent of the British Broadcasting Corporation's boat-race launch. A mobile British Broadcasting Corporation station would make new programme features practicable.

## YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION.



## GREATER BRIGHTON.

The Brighton magistrates have granted an extension of the licensing hours from ten to eleven every night in connection with the Greater Brighton celebrations.

The chief constable opposed the application, saying that he considered it was unnecessary and undesirable.

After a retirement the magistrates announced that they realised the occasion was a very important one for the borough, and in these circumstances the application for extension would be granted.

Nice, Yesterday.—The death is announced of the American playwright, Avery Hopwood. Mr. Hopwood, who was 44 years of age, was best known as the author of "The Bat," the "Gold Diggers," and "Fair and Warner." He was seized with cramp while swimming at Juan Lespins and was drowned.—Reuter.

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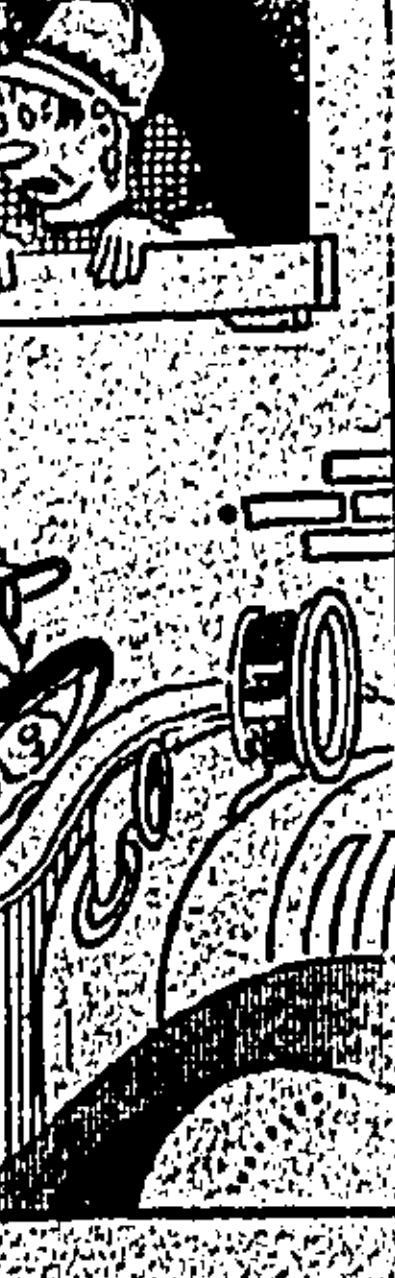
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## POISON ROOM.

TELEPHONE TALKS AMIDST DEADLY GAS.

FOUR-MILES "FREE OF AIR."

They were sitting in a row as I entered the room—six huddled figures, each wearing a gas mask. A tube from each mask disappeared through a hole in the wall of a cubicle.

"You'd hardly think they were breathing filtered poison gas, would you?" asked my guide.

I looked through a window into the cubicle and saw a chemical filter at the other end of each tube. The filter stopped the gas from passing, and all that the six men had to do was to breathe the purified air that came through the tube.

If a suspicion of gas reached one of the men he would take off his mask. This would show that the filter was faulty.

## MECHANICAL LUNGS.

I found it difficult to realise that I was in busy Westminster as I picked my way through the busy workshops, packed with all the safety appliances that are used whenever there is poison gas about—in breweries, chemical works, sewers.

One of these gadgets was a lung machine, which is used to test a respirator to exhaustion. It is just a collection of tubes and a pump. The pump, working at the speed of the human lungs, forces a mixture of air and poison gas through a respirator. Over the outlet is a little piece of paper, specially prepared, which changes colour as soon as poison gas touches it. In this way they can ascertain just how long the respirator will do its work properly.

## USED FOR RESCUE WORK.

Even more interesting was the breathing apparatus which makes a man absolutely independent of the air around him. It is used largely for rescue work in mines.

In breathing we exhale carbon dioxide which, if re-breathed, will first cause headaches and later unconsciousness. Now, this self-breathing apparatus includes a bag at the end of a mouth-piece. Chemicals in the bag absorb the carbon dioxide and add a little more oxygen to what is left—and lo! there is a fresh supply of air!

A man wearing one of these outfits went into a room the temperature of which was like that of a mine after an explosion. For one hour the man was to walk up and down in the room, covering about four miles—roughly equivalent to the strain he would undergo if engaged on mine rescue work.

At the end of the hour the bag with the chemicals would be tested by chemicals. If any carbon dioxide were found in it, the apparatus would be faulty.

"Now, how about a little diving?" said my guide.

## DIVING OUTFIT.

In response to my look of surprise, he told me they were testing that morning a new self-contained diving outfit.

We descended many stairs, and reached the tank room. There we watched a diver in the tank with an outfit like the mine rescue apparatus. It had no air pipe. The diver was independent of air supplies from the surface, and so ran no risk of death through a breakage in the pipe.

Near the tank was a recompression chamber—the only one in London. If a diver comes up too quickly, thus returning rapidly to a much lower pressure, the compressed nitrogen in his blood tries to bubble out, and the results may be serious.

"If ever we get a case of that kind here," said my friend, "we put him into this chamber, close the doors, and pump up a pressure equal to the one he left to suddenly. Then we lower it very gradually, and the man comes out quite fit again."

## THE VACUUM ROOM.

Next to the high-pressure chamber is another, used for just the opposite purpose. This is a vacuum chamber, from which all the air can be pumped, if necessary, and it is used for testing safety appliances for airmen.

Stepping inside, I was shown a mask with glistening dials and valves.

Formerly an airman, when climbing into the rarefied atmosphere, had to negotiate his supply of oxygen by hand—a very clumsy method.

The mask in the vacuum chamber was a mechanical oxygen control. As soon as the air pressure falls below a certain degree a valve opens and allows oxygen to pass. The lower the pressure the more oxygen reaches the pilot.

To test the instrument a man goes inside the chamber, fits the mask over his mouth, and then waits. The pump is set working; slowly the pressure diminishes; and the man with the mask



Brooklyn, N. Y.—Left to right, Edsel Ford, a veteran motorman, Henry Ford and H. Hobart Porter, President of the Brooklyn City Railroad Company, who presented this ancient "ligger" or horse-car, the oldest of its type in the country to the automobile manufacturer. Mr. Ford, who took a turn at driving the antique Model T street car, which was put in service in 1899, will place it in his famous Dearborn Museum of American relics.

## F.M.S. POLICE WORK.

CURIOUS HOMICIDE WAVE LAST YEAR.

Commenting on the F.M.S. Police in his annual report Sir William Peel, Chief Secretary to the F.M.S. Government says:—

Considerable difficulty was experienced in obtaining suitable Malay recruits. Indian recruits offered themselves in large numbers.

The standard of training in drill and musketry at the police depot was maintained and special efforts were made to improve the system of instruction in the schools in co-operation with the Education Department. The year was marked by a very considerable advance in the instruction of probationary Assistant Commissioners, probationary Asiatic Inspectors and English speaking detectives in law and other subjects necessary for their profession.

The year's total of serious crime, which includes murder, gang-robbery and robbery, shows an increase of 30 per cent. on the total for 1926 which was a record low year. The 1927 total, viz., 160, is however well below the equipment average of 176. Towards the end of the year a quite inexplicable wave of homicide arose which, though scarcely evident in Negri Sembilan and Pahang, was serious in Selangor but much more serious still in Perak. This murder wave raised the figures from 23 recorded murders in Perak in 1926 to 48 in 1927 and to 25 in Selangor as compared with 18 in 1926. The total number of murders was 86, of which only 11 were accompanied by robbery, and amongst these latter in several cases murder was the true motive and robbery only incidental.

The total number of seizeable offences of all kinds for the year is 5,063, which shows a very gratifying decrease on the record low total of 5,641 for 1926, and is very much below the average of 7,009 for the past five years. This satisfactory decrease may, in the opinion of the Director of Criminal Intelligence, be reasonably attributed to better police control of the criminal elements in the country, due to better investigation methods and to a newly awakened interest and eagerness amongst all ranks to take an active share in the conduct of investigations and in the surveillance of bad characters.

## M. BRIAND.

RESIGNATION LIKELY OWING TO ILL-HEALTH.

M. Briand, the French Foreign Minister, has not a few weeks ago recovered his usual good health since his recent severe illness, and his friends then stated that he is anxious for a rest. He had not appeared in public for many weeks, and when he attended the Ministerial Council at the Elysee he drove there by car from Cocherel, his country home, and appeared pale and tired.

He is 67 and has figured in parliamentary life for a quarter of a century. He has been Prime Minister ten times.

## His Part at Locarno.

In the drafting and signing of the Locarno Treaties he played a conspicuous part with Sir Austen Chamberlain and Dr. Stresemann, the British and German Foreign Ministers.

If, as his friends expect, he resigns shortly, it is thought that M. Poincare will assume the post of Foreign Minister, in addition to that of Prime Minister.

M. Tardieu, Minister of Public Works, might then be transferred to the Ministry of Finance, which M. Poincare now holds. He would be given the technical aid of M. Moreau, who would relinquish the Governorship of the Bank of France for a time.

One miner was killed and two others were injured by a landslide in a coal mine in the Donetsk coalfield.

## MILK WITHOUT COWS

GRASS EXPERIMENTS.

"Experiments are being carried out at Billingham-on-Tees in the production of synthetic milk direct from grass by a process which eliminates the cow," said Mr. A. King, of Eton, at the Sanitary Inspectors' Association conference at Northallerton recently.

"The time is coming," he added, "when milk will be produced without cows or farmers."

Mr. T. Birtwick, of Castleford, said that the pasteurisation of milk robbed it of valuable vitamins, and the public were hoodwinked into buying pasteurised milk, whereas they should demand it as it came from the cow.



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## THE SEARCH IN THE ANTARCTIC.

### BRITISH PLANES.

CALL FOR TWO "MOTHS" FOR PRIVATE EXPEDITION.

### ICEBREAKER'S PROGRESS.

London, Yesterday. In the House of Commons, during question time, Sir Philip Session, (Under-Secretary for Air) stated that Britain had invited Italy to call upon them unhesitatingly if there was anything the Air Force could usefully do to help the "Italia's" crew. The Italian Government had promised to accept the offer if occasion arose. No further communication had been received but Norwegian sources, on June 30, had requested the loan of two small seaplanes, which the Air Force would be happy to furnish if any of the available types were suitable. Detailed arrangements thereat were now being discussed.

Oslo, Yesterday.

The Committee of the private expedition which is attempting to rescue Amundsen and Guilbaud has requested the British Air Ministry for the loan of two De Havilland "Moth" aeroplanes, which they believe would greatly increase the efficiency of the expedition.

### Icebreaker's Good Work.

Moscow, Yesterday. The Soviet icebreaker "Krasnii" is forging its way through ice ten feet thick and is now within thirty miles from the point where the "Italia" was wrecked. The expedition's first task is to rescue the party from which General Noble was rescued, now commanded by Lieutenant Vigliani, and which is on a drifting icefield. Samoilovitch, the leader, is very hopeful. Thereafter, the aviator Chukhnovsky, on an aeroplane carried on the icebreaker, will start in search of the two other parties.

Samoilovitch is in constant wireless communication with Noble, who is at King's Bay. Nothing yet has been heard of Babushkin, the aviator.—Reuter.

### LABOUR MEETING.

DELEGATES FROM ALL OVER THE EMPIRE.

### MIGRATION PROBLEM.

London, Yesterday. The British Commonwealth Labour Conference opened at the House of Commons with delegates from Australia, British Guiana, Canada, Ceylon, India, Ireland, Newfoundland, New Zealand, Palestine, Rhodesia, South Africa and Trinidad.

Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, who presided, dealt in his opening address with Empire migration. He said that the Labour Party formerly opposed migration, but now realised the necessity for great fluidity of population.

Their aims should however be to develop family, rather than individual migration.

Referring to the Kellogg Peace proposal, he said that the great value of it was that it was a new gesture, and would be the means of extricating the League of Nations machine out of the rut into which the militarists were driving it.

The Conference after this was private.—Reuter.

### TRAIN WRECKERS.

NINE MISCREANTS CAUGHT AND EXECUTED.

### EXTRAORDINARY PRECAUTIONS.

Mexico City, Yesterday. A message from Queretaro states that nine men, who were near the railway with dynamite in their possession, were executed. It is presumed that they intended to blow up the main line trains to and from Mexico City. Mr. Dwight Morrow, the United States Ambassador, will pass over this line when he returns from the United States on Tuesday, and the Mexican Authorities are taking extraordinary precautions to prevent an attack on the Ambassadorial train.—Reuter's American Service.

## NEW PRESIDENT OF MEXICO.

### OBREGON AGAIN.

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### INSURGENTS' ATTACK.

Mexico City, Yesterday. General Obregon, the only candidate, has been elected President of Mexico for six years. He has announced that he intends to continue substantially the policy for the present of President Calles. There have been surprisingly few disturbances in connection with the Presidential elections—only a minor affray at Panuco in which two were killed and ten injured.—Reuter's American Service.

Insurgents Defeated. Two hundred insurgents attacked the garrison of La Griega.



President Obregon.

Federal reinforcements dispersed the rebels, who left 26 dead and quantities of ammunition and horses.

### MALARIA.

COMMISSION RECOMMENDS STUDY OF LOCAL PROBLEMS.

### MOSQUITOES AND QUININE.

Geneva, Yesterday. The Malaria Commission has finished its work and passed a resolution that malaria prevention should be dealt with by scientific organizations specialising in malaria: That only one of two preventive methods, according to local circumstances should be employed. That the first duty of Governments in organising measures against malaria should be to attend the malarious sick, the second duty to study in detail the different local aspects of the problem with a view to finding the most efficacious and the cheapest solution.

The Commission has further arranged a programme of international study, firstly on dwellings and malaria, secondly on the malaria carrying mosquito and thirdly the practical importance of the intensive use of quinine.—Reuter.

### DR. JOHN R. MOTT.

BECOMES HEAD OF INTERNATIONAL MISSIONARY COUNCIL.

New York, Yesterday. After forty years' service as head of the Y.M.C.A. in the United States, Dr. John R. Mott has resigned to become President of the International Missionary Council. Dr. Mott during the war, as Executive Secretary of the War Council of the Y.M.C.A., handled nearly \$40,000,000 for the benefit of men of the Allied forces, and war prisoners.

He has been decorated by several Foreign Governments.—Reuter's American Service.

Before Mr. W. Schofield, at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday, a Chinese and a Chinese woman were charged with taking away by fraud, the son of a man of Hunan province with intent to sell the child. Inspector Fallon, in asking for a remand, said that the boy's father, who had been warned to attend Court, could not be found. The Magistrate gave a remand until tomorrow morning.

## IS DISESTABLISHMENT COMING?

### STRONG UTTERANCE.

PRIMATE AND THE CHURCH'S "INALIENABLE RIGHT."

### FAITH AND EXPRESSION.

London, Yesterday. A warm ovation from the crowded public galleries was accorded the Archbishop of Canterbury at the opening Summer Session of the Church Assembly at Westminster at which the Archbishop reviewed the situation arising from the rejection of the Prayer Book. His Grace said that he was expressing the view of the whole Diocesan of Bishops when he declared that it was a fundamental principle of the Church that it must ultimately retain the inalienable right to formulate its faith and arrange for the expression thereof in its forms of worship.

He hoped that a strong and capable Committee of statesmen and churchmen might be appointed to consider whether a readjustment was required for the maintenance of this principle in accordance with the conditions of the present age.

The Archbishop of Canterbury ruled out as a possibility at present the submitting of a further measure to Parliament.—Reuter.

### ROBBER TRIBES.

KARWALNUTS AND THE POLICE.

### MOB FIRED ON.

Calcutta, Yesterday. One man was killed and four wounded when the police fired on a mob of Karwalnut tribesmen at the Salvation Army Settlement at Saidpur, Bengal.

The Karwalnuts are a criminal tribe of the worst type, and bring up their children as thieves and dacoits and sell their girls in marriage for a few hundred rupees.

The Government last year sent an armed tribe to allow their children to be brought up in the Salvation Army Settlement. Tribal resentment reached a climax when the tribesmen were not allowed to visit their children.

One of the men swung an axe at a Bengali officer, who was saved by a constable, who suffered serious injury. The police rushed to the scene, but were driven back and finally were compelled to fire in order to restore order.—Reuter.

### MUI TSAI'S LAPSE.

STEALS FROM HER MISTRESS.

After being in the employment of complainant for some 10 years, during which time she (defendant) had served her mistress faithfully, a Chinese girl was charged at the Kowloon Magistracy with the theft of a quantity of clothing, from No. 18, Nathan-road, the residence of complainant.

It appears that the defendant was adopted by the complainant some ten years ago, and had since served as a *mui tsai*, being now 18 years of age. Defendant had had a clean record till recently, when complainant noticed that a few garments had mysteriously disappeared. Police investigation led to the arrest of the girl, who candidly admitted the theft.

Mr. Schofield, addressing complainant: Will you be prepared to take her back into your service? Complainant: I will not take her back.

Defendant could give no adequate reply as to why she had stolen, but as it was her first lapse, Mr. Schofield decided to bind her over in a personal bond of \$50 to be of good behaviour for 1 year.

Mr. W. Meyrick Hewlett, C.M.G., who has been acting British Consul-General at Nanking, has been appointed one of H.M.'s Consuls-General in China. He joined the service in 1898 and received the C.M.G. in 1915. As Consul-General at Nanking, he now resides in Shanghai but makes periodic visits to Nanking as occasion demands. The "Consulate-General" and other buildings having, as Sir Austin Chamberlain said, been rendered uninhabitable by Nationalist troops.

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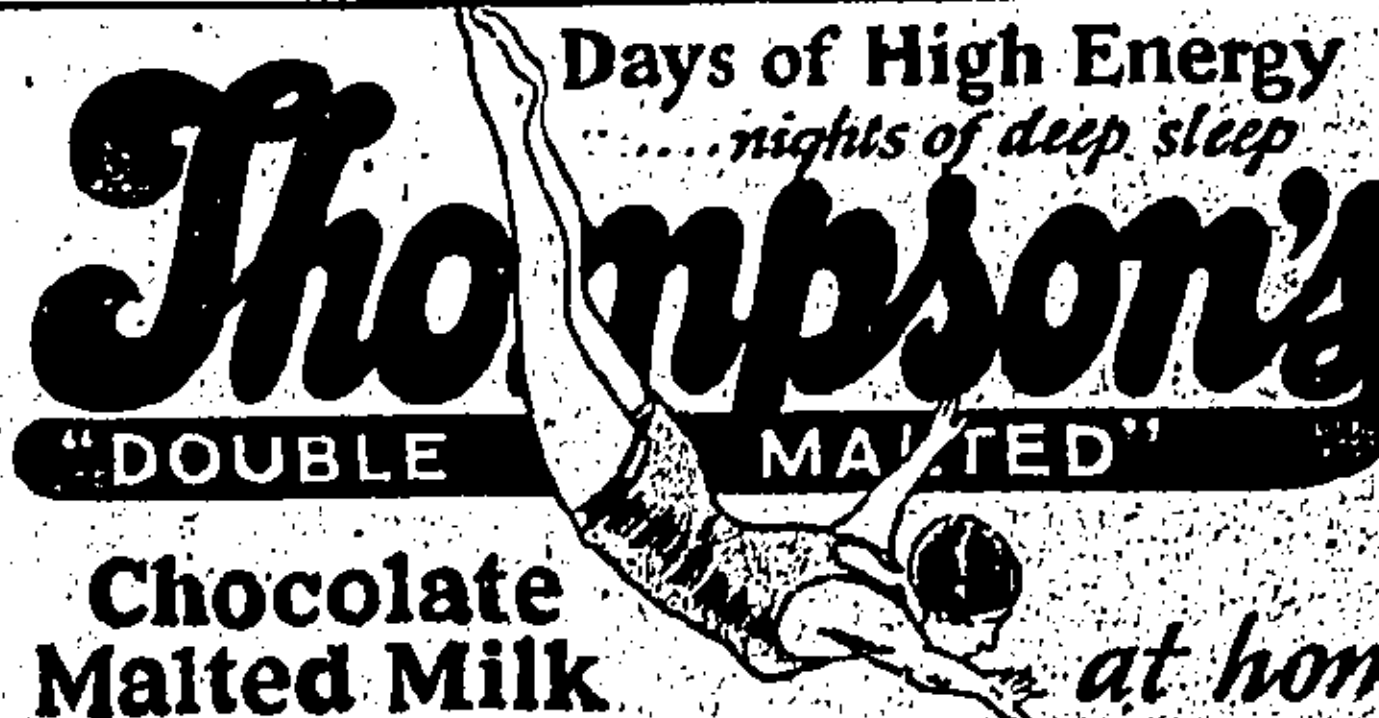
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